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Louis



- ★Red deer ♂
- ★Former leader of the Drama Club actors pool
- ★Former leader of the Shishi-gumi lion gang
- ★Offered his leg to Legoshi so he could defeat Riz

Haru



- ★Netherland dwarf rabbit ♀
- ★University student

Ogma



- ★Louis's adoptive father ♂
- ★Head of the Horns Conglomerate
- ★Can't express his feelings, but loves his son

Yahya



- ★Horse ♂
- ★Current Beastar
- ★Powerful combatant

San



- ★Was once on sale at the black market with Louis and Kyu ♂
- ★Lacks combat skills
- ★Excels at detecting an opponent's weaknesses

Kyu



- ★Was once on sale at the black market with Louis and San ♀
- ★Lop-eared rabbit
- ★Combat skills surpass Legoshi's

Melon



- ★Half-leopard, half-gazelle ♂
- ★Elephant poacher who sells tusks on the black market

STORY & CAST OF CHARACTERS

Legoshi has been designated a registered meat offender after consensually eating his friend Louis's leg to give him the strength to defeat the bear who murdered their friend. Now, while Legoshi's girlfriend Haru and Louis attend college, Legoshi works at an udon noodle shop. He is currently on the trail of mixed-species psychopath Melon, who tried to kill Legoshi twice but reminds him of the offspring Legoshi might someday have with Haru.

Melon's brutality on Happy Meat Day at the Black Market sends the tantalizing scent of fresh blood throughout the area. When the ensuing chaos spreads to the outside world and civilized society, it becomes clear that the black market is growing more dangerous and becoming a serious liability.

Legoshi runs into Louis in the streets of the black market, and together they go to the building where Louis was imprisoned as a fawn, kept as a "product" to be sold and devoured alive. The run-down building collapses with the two friends inside, and they find Louis's childhood comrades still living there. They too spent their childhoods awaiting their doom, but somehow managed to survive on their own.

Legoshi

- ★Gray wolf ♂
- ★Former Cherryton Academy student
- ★Ate his friend Louis's leg to defeat Riz
- ★Lives alone at Beast Apartments



Legoshi's five Canidae friends and former roommates. The Labrador in front is Jack, Legoshi's best friend.

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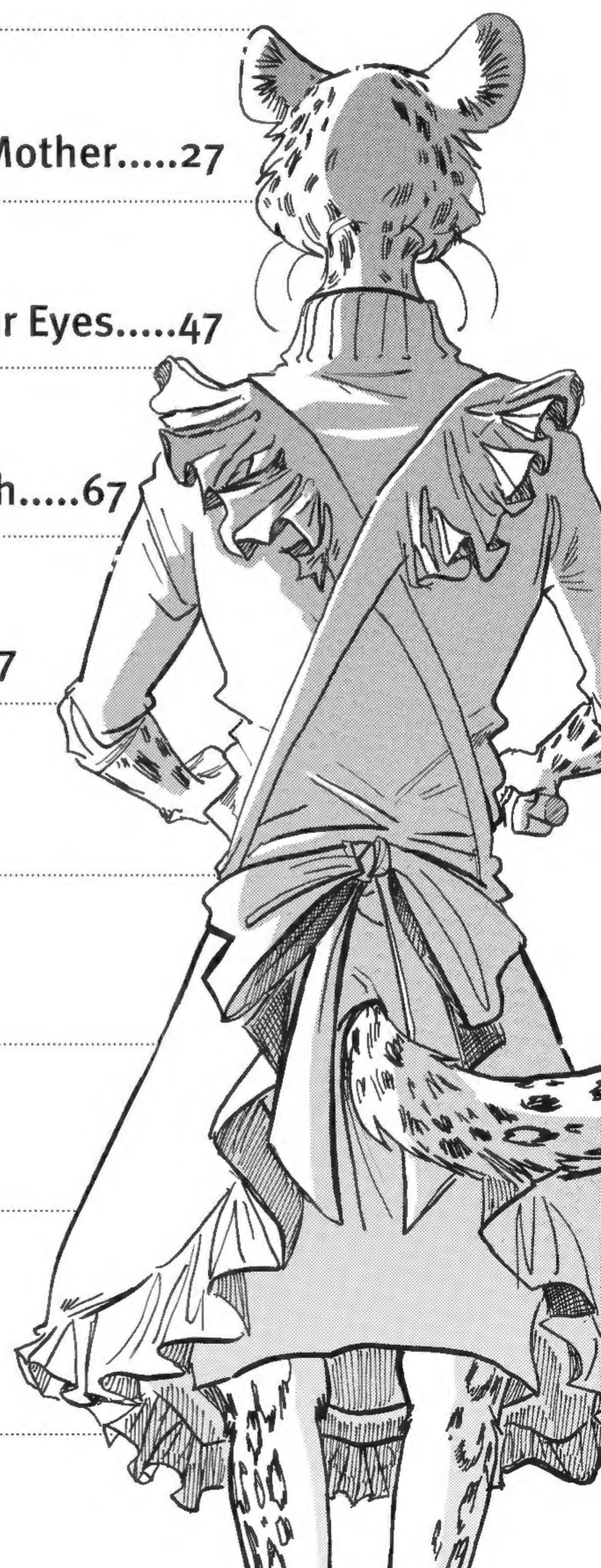
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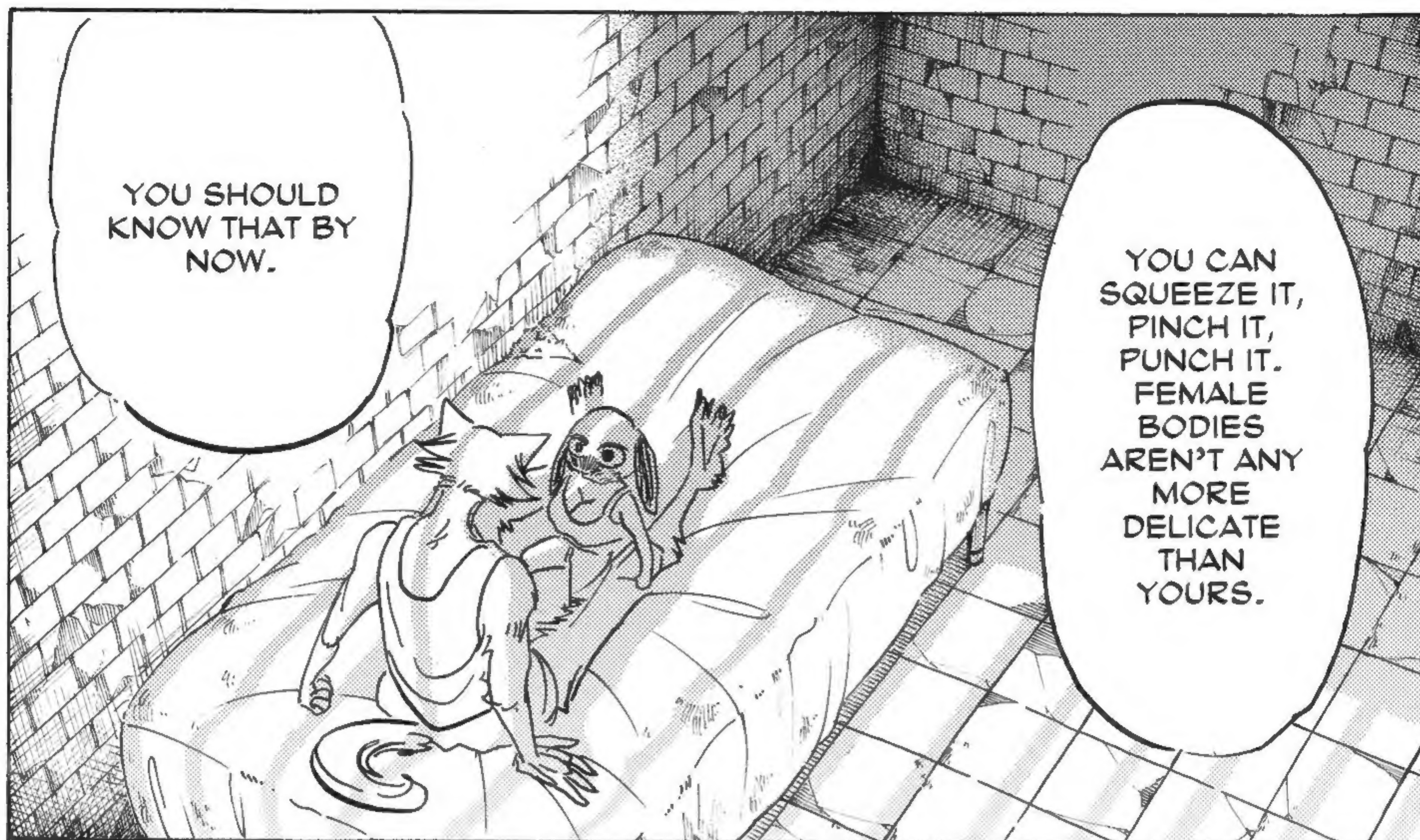




NOW
TOUCH IT.

THIS IS A
BREAST.
BEHIND
IT ARE
MUSCLES,
BONES, AND
INTERNAL
ORGANS.

PAY
ATTENTION,
OHGOSHI...



YOU SHOULD
KNOW THAT BY
NOW.

YOU CAN
SQUEEZE IT,
PINCH IT,
PUNCH IT.
FEMALE
BODIES
AREN'T ANY
MORE
DELICATE
THAN
YOURS.



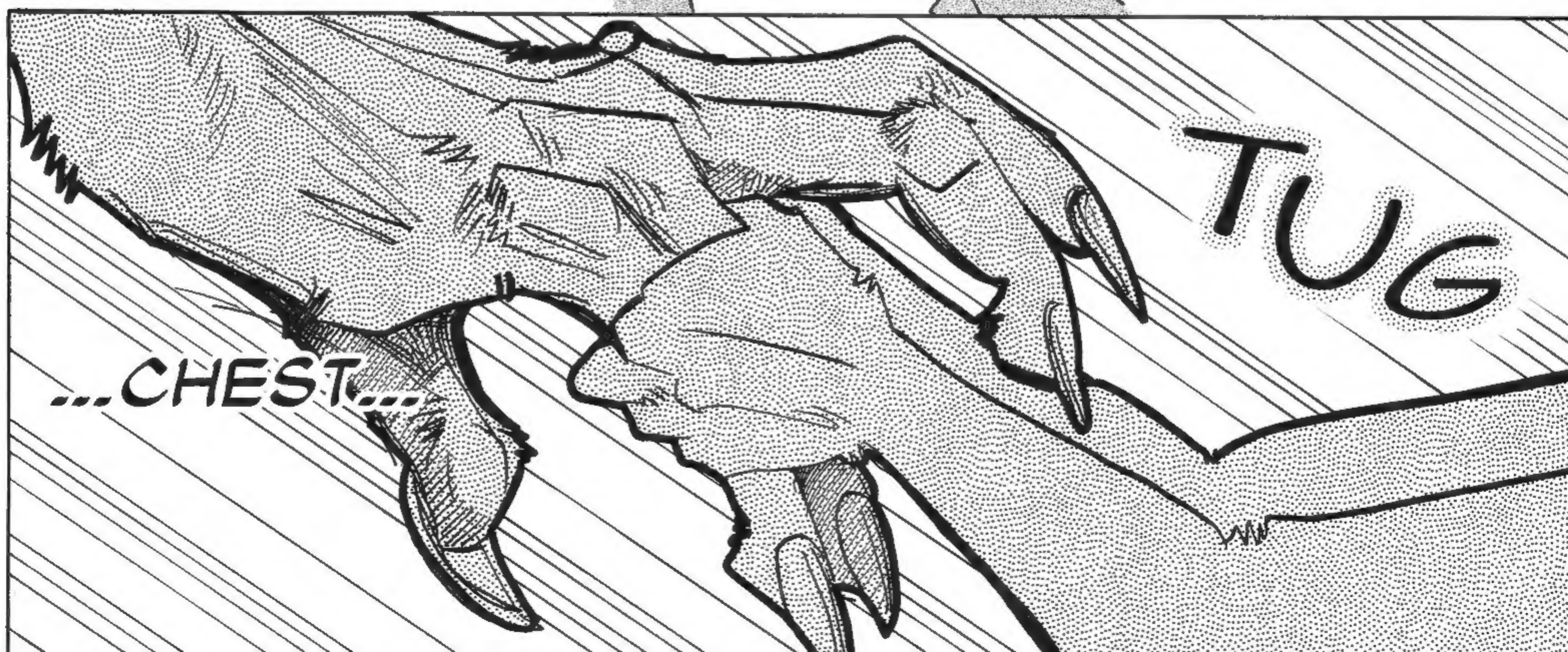
...
EVEN IF
THERE
ARE
MUSCLES,
BONES,
AND
INTERNAL
ORGANS
BEHIND IT,
JUST LIKE
MINE, IT'S
STILL...
A FEMALE...



I, UM,
GET IT...

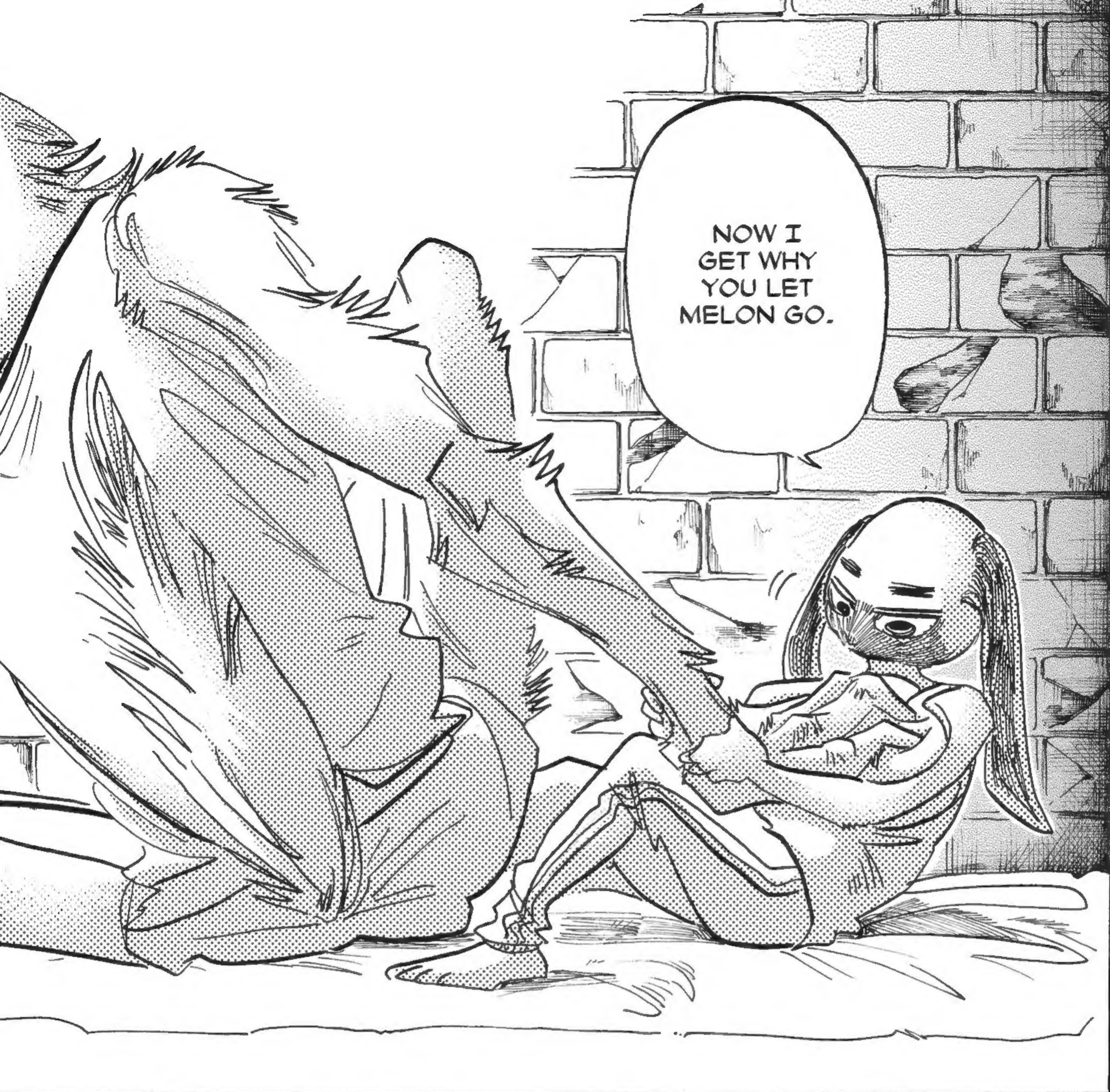
SO
TH-THAT'S
WHAT SHE
MEANT WHEN
SHE SAID,
"YOU DON'T
KNOW FEMALES
YET."

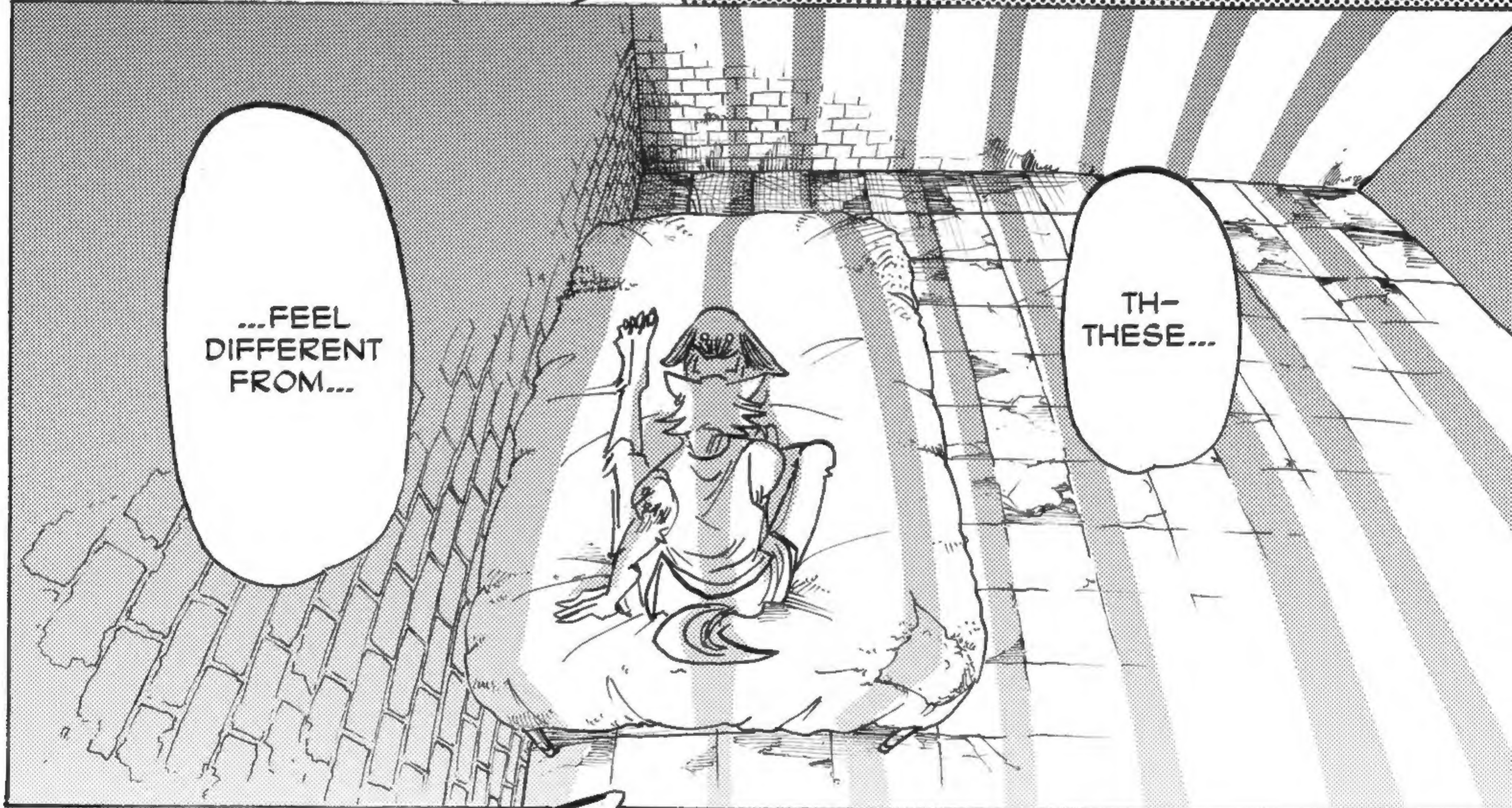
B-BUT
STILL...



...CHEST...

TUG





YOU DON'T
GET IT AT ALL!

YOU STILL
THINK OF THEM
AS GENERIC
FEMALE BOOBS!
YOU NEED
TO DO YOUR
RESEARCH.

EACH SPECIES
IS DIFFERENT.
EACH FEMALE
IS DIFFERENT.

THIS IS
DIFFERENT.
THAT'S WHY
I SAID,
"I GET IT."

"LUCKY
ENOUGH"
?

UH.
I'M S-SORRY.
I'M A VIRGIN.
I'VE ONLY
BEEN LUCKY
ENOUGH TO
TOUCH A
FEMALE
ONCE
BEFORE.

AN
18-YEAR-
OLD MALE
CAN'T JUST
GO AROUND
GROPING
FEMALES'
BREASTS!

7/5
Wednesday

YOU'RE FEMALE.
I'M MALE.
I THINK WE SHOULD
ACKNOWLEDGE
AND ACCOMMODATE
OUR DIFFERENCES.

I'M GRATEFUL
YOU'RE WILLING
TO TRAIN ME,
BUT...



IN THAT CASE,
YOU CAN NEVER
GET REALLY
POWERFUL.
YOU'RE TOO
OVERCONFIDENT
BECAUSE YOU'RE
MALE. AT THIS
RATE, YOU'LL ONLY
BE A MEDIOCRE
FIGHTER WHO
CAN'T SERIOUSLY
CHALLENGE
ANYONE.



STOP
BEING MALE.

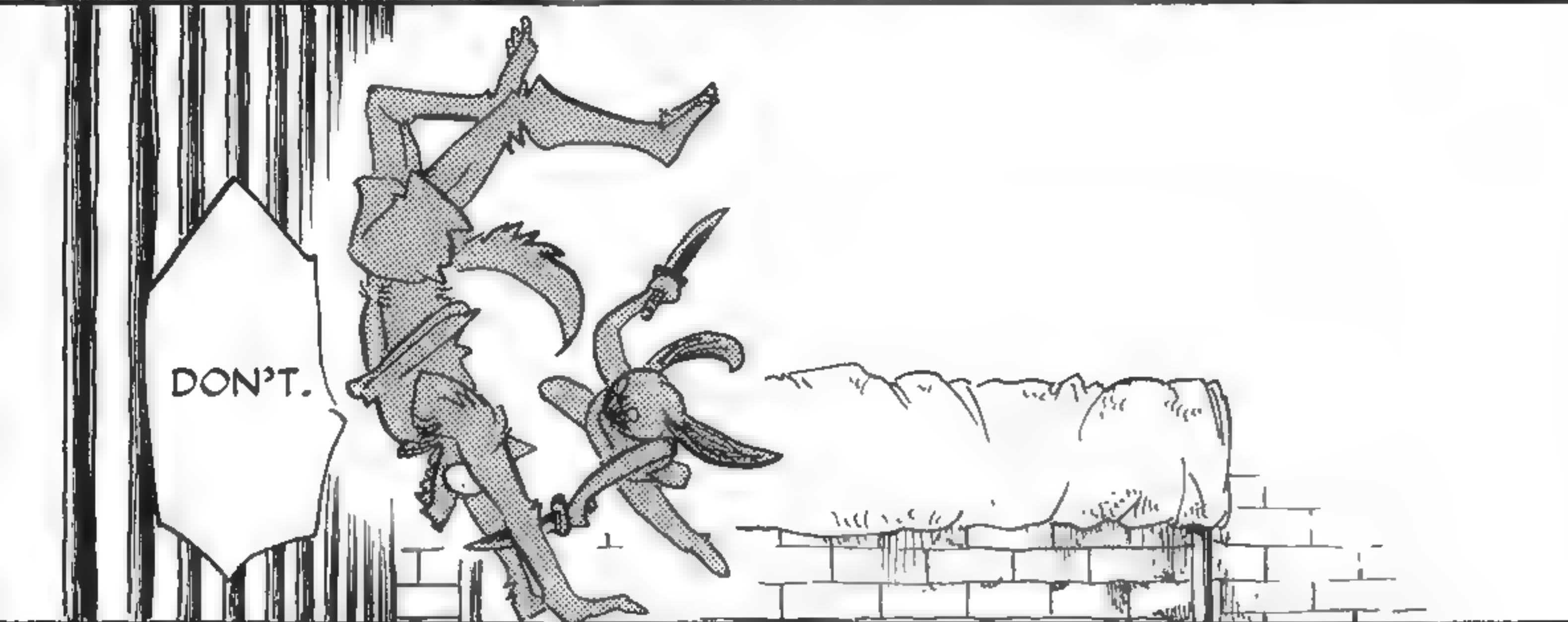
IF
YOU CAN'T
CHANGE YOUR
ATTITUDE, YOU
MIGHT AS WELL
CHANGE YOUR
IDENTITY.



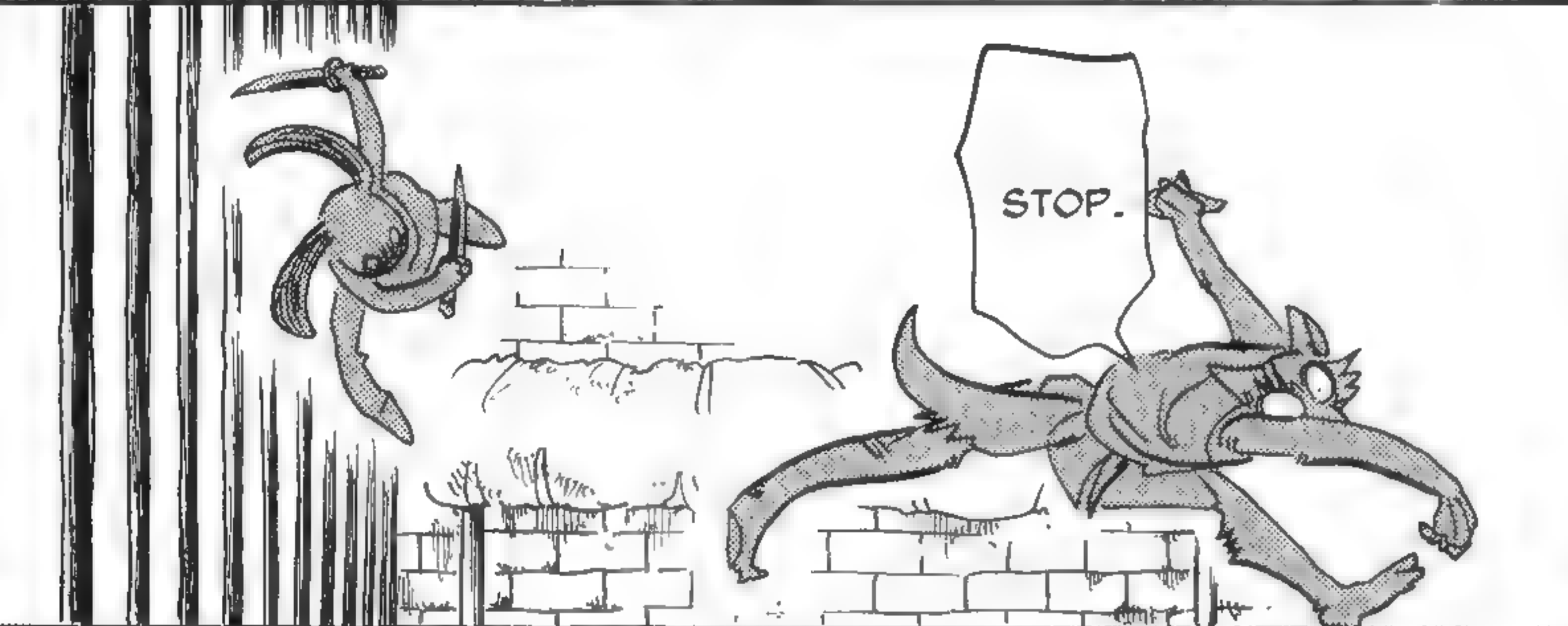




NO.



DON'T.



STOP.



WHY'RE
YOU
STOPPING
ME?
YOU WANT
TO BE
STRONG,
DON'T
YOU?

S
W
F

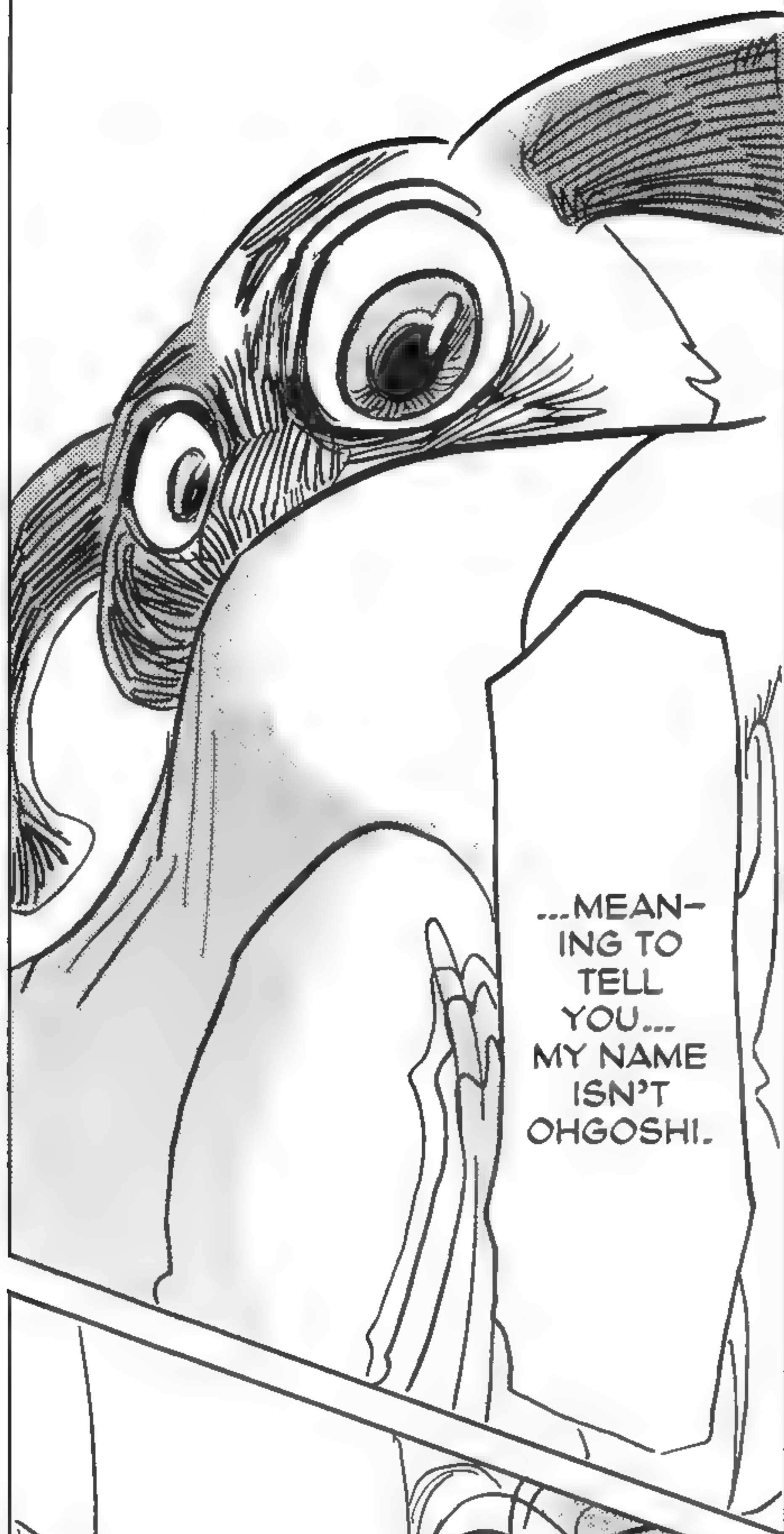
YOU
WANT
TO
DEFEAT
MELON,
RIGHT?

WHAT
DO YOU
NEED
YOUR
BALLS
FOR
THEN?
YOU
HAVEN'T
USED
THEM SO
FAR.



OHGOSHI,
YOU HAVE
TO BE
MERCILESS!

ONLY
THEN
CAN YOU
BE INVIN-
CIBLE!



...MEAN-
ING TO
TELL
YOU...
MY NAME
ISN'T
OHGOSHI.



**IT'S
LEGOSHI!**



**G
R
A
B**

I'VE
BEEN...

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Wednesday

FWOOSH

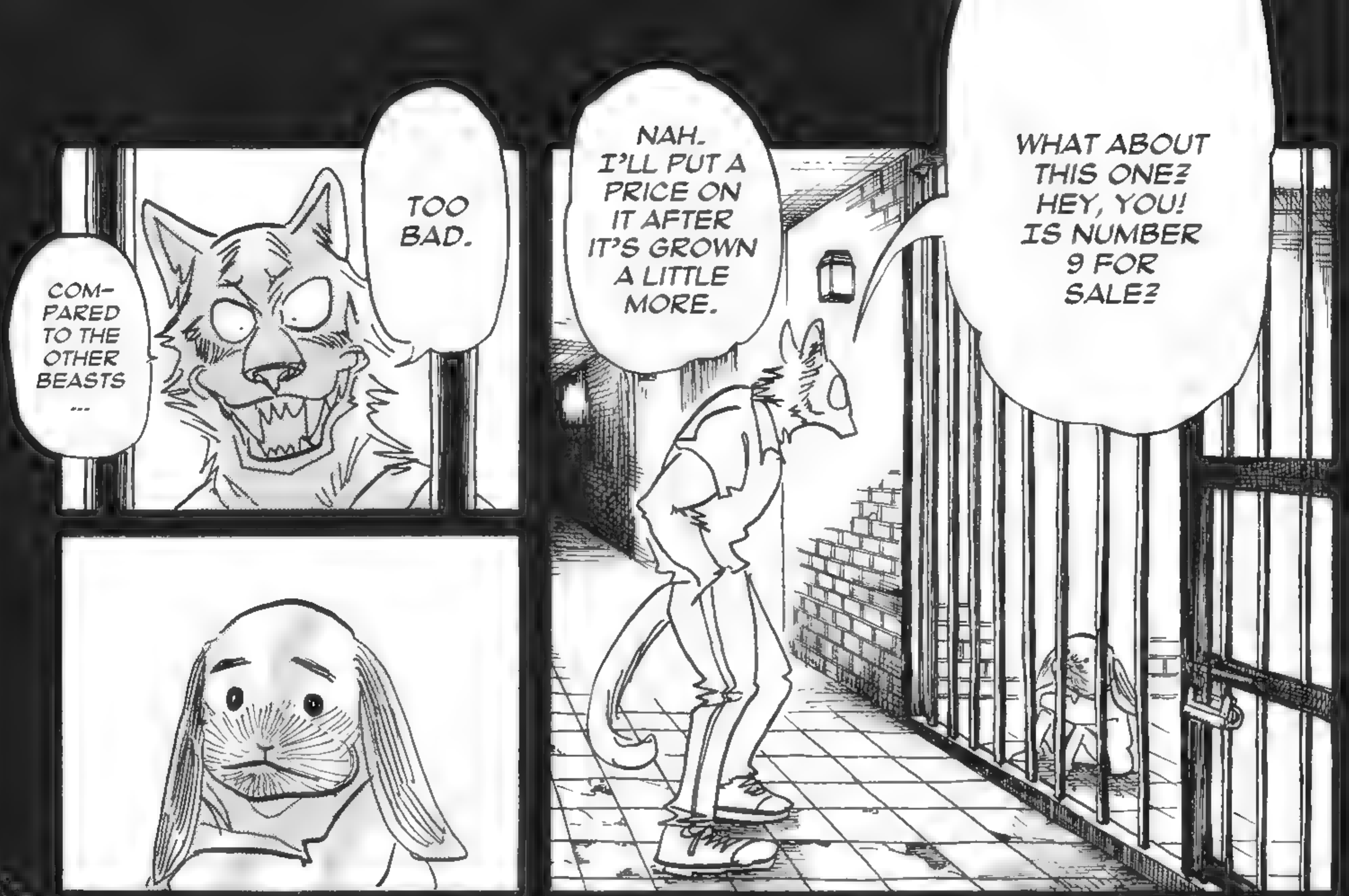
I'M IN
AWE OF
YOU.

JUST LIKE
YOU'RE IN
AWE OF
CARNIVORES.

SHUFF

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Wednesday





...NUMBER
9 LOOKS
DELICIOUS...



KYU...
YOU'RE
CUTE.



...A VIRGIN
WOLF
SHOULD
BE ABLE
TO.

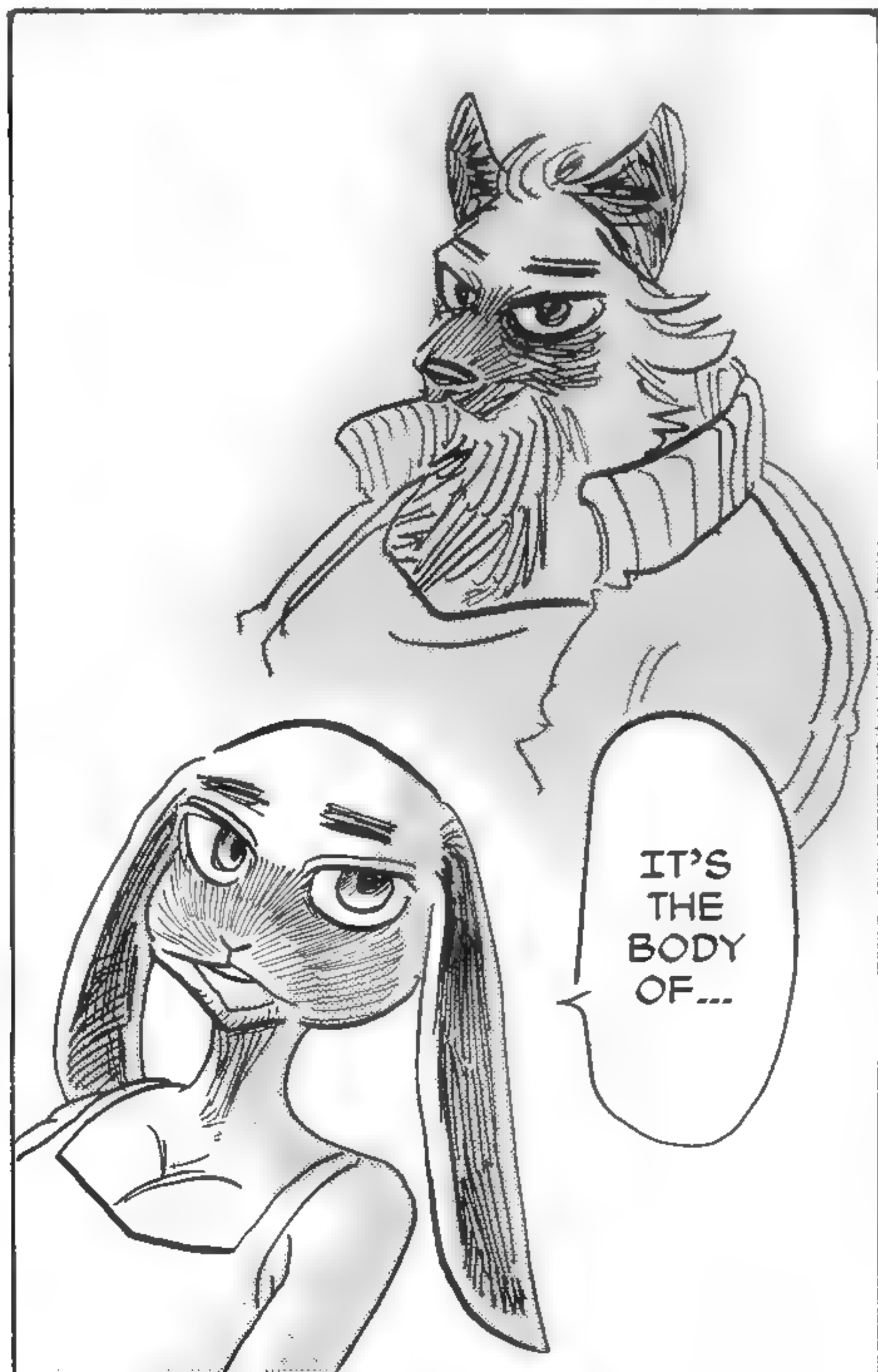
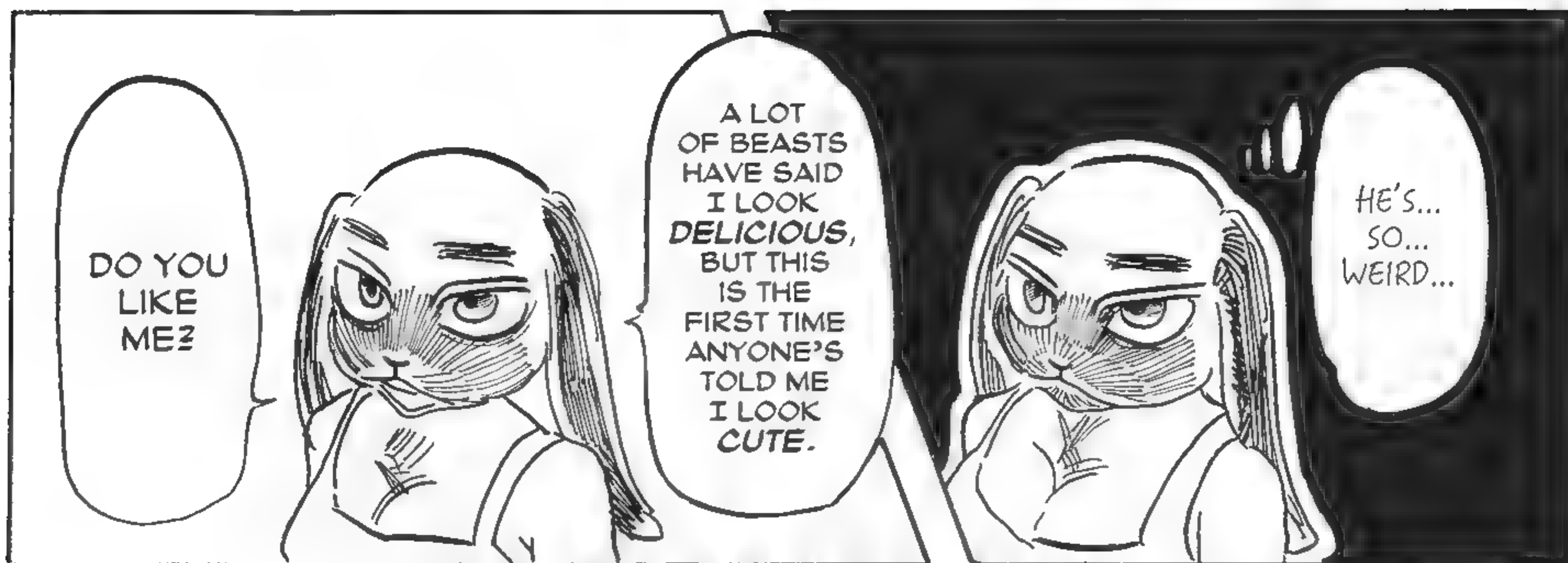
IF A CUTE
FEMALE
RABBIT LIKE
YOU CAN
BECOME SO
POWERFUL...

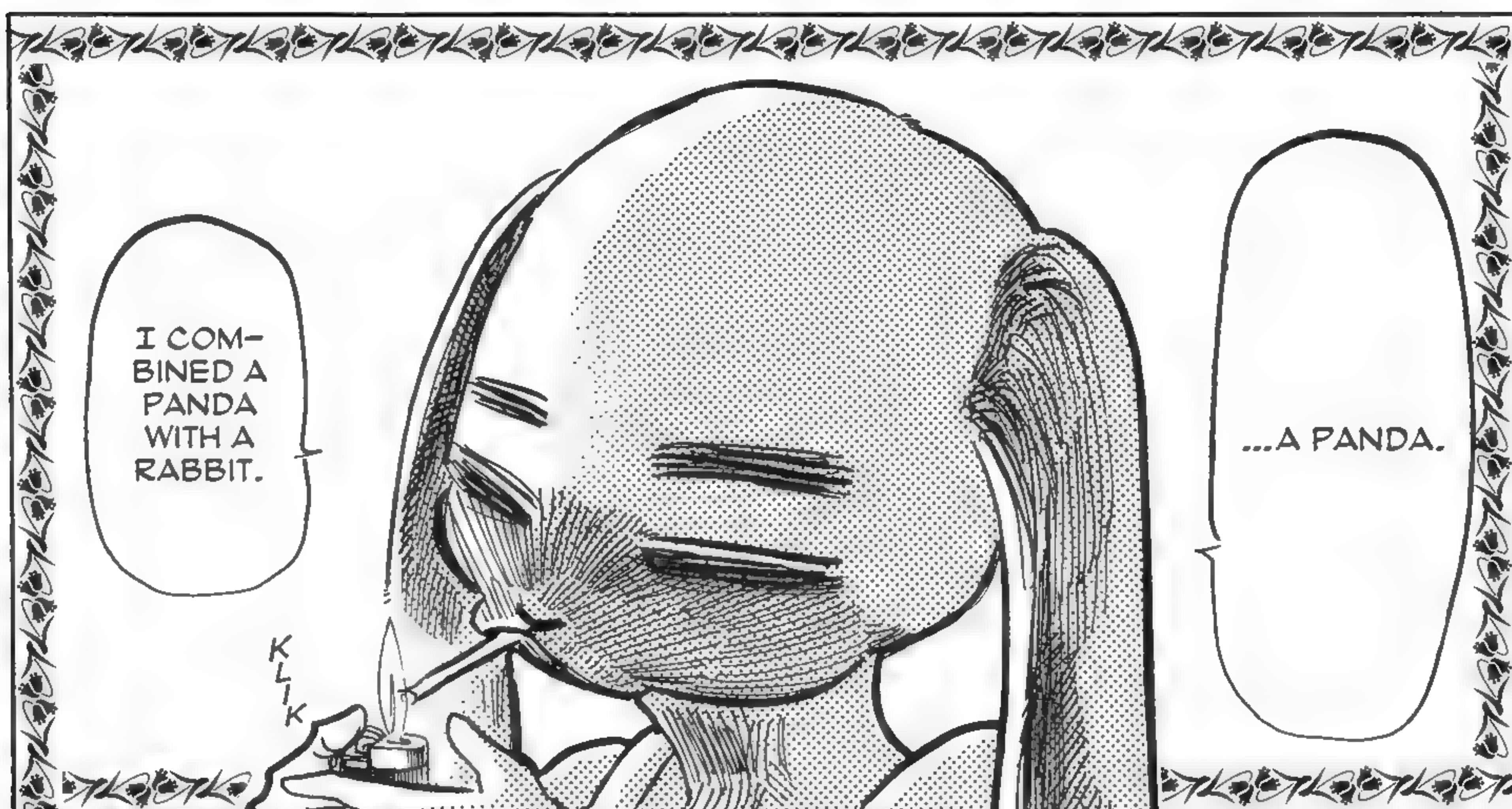
SKRTCH
SKRTCH



DOES A
FEMALE-MALE,
MASTER-PUPIL
RELATIONSHIP
WORK FOR
YOU?

I'LL FOLLOW
YOUR EXAMPLE
AND COME TO
TERMS WITH MY
IDENTITY!





I COM-
BINED A
PANDA
WITH A
RABBIT.

...A PANDA.

KLIK



I DON'T
KNOW WHY,
BUT...

...

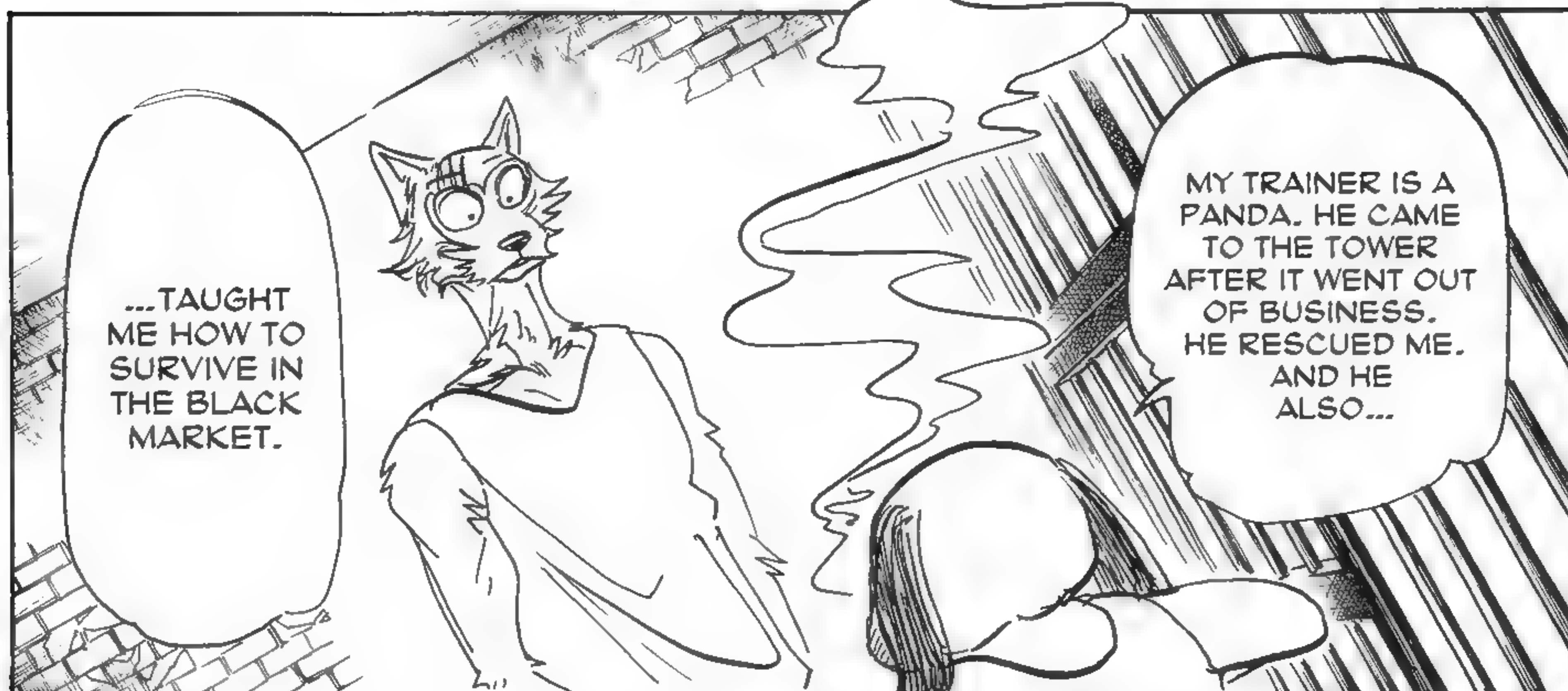


I'VE BEEN
WONDERING
WHY, AND
NOW I
KNOW THE
REASON.

I TRUST
HER
ALREADY.

...EVEN
THOUGH
I'VE JUST
MET KYU, I
FEEL SAFE
AROUND
HER.





...TAUGHT
ME HOW TO
SURVIVE IN
THE BLACK
MARKET.

MY TRAINER IS A
PANDA. HE CAME
TO THE TOWER
AFTER IT WENT OUT
OF BUSINESS.
HE RESCUED ME.
AND HE
ALSO...



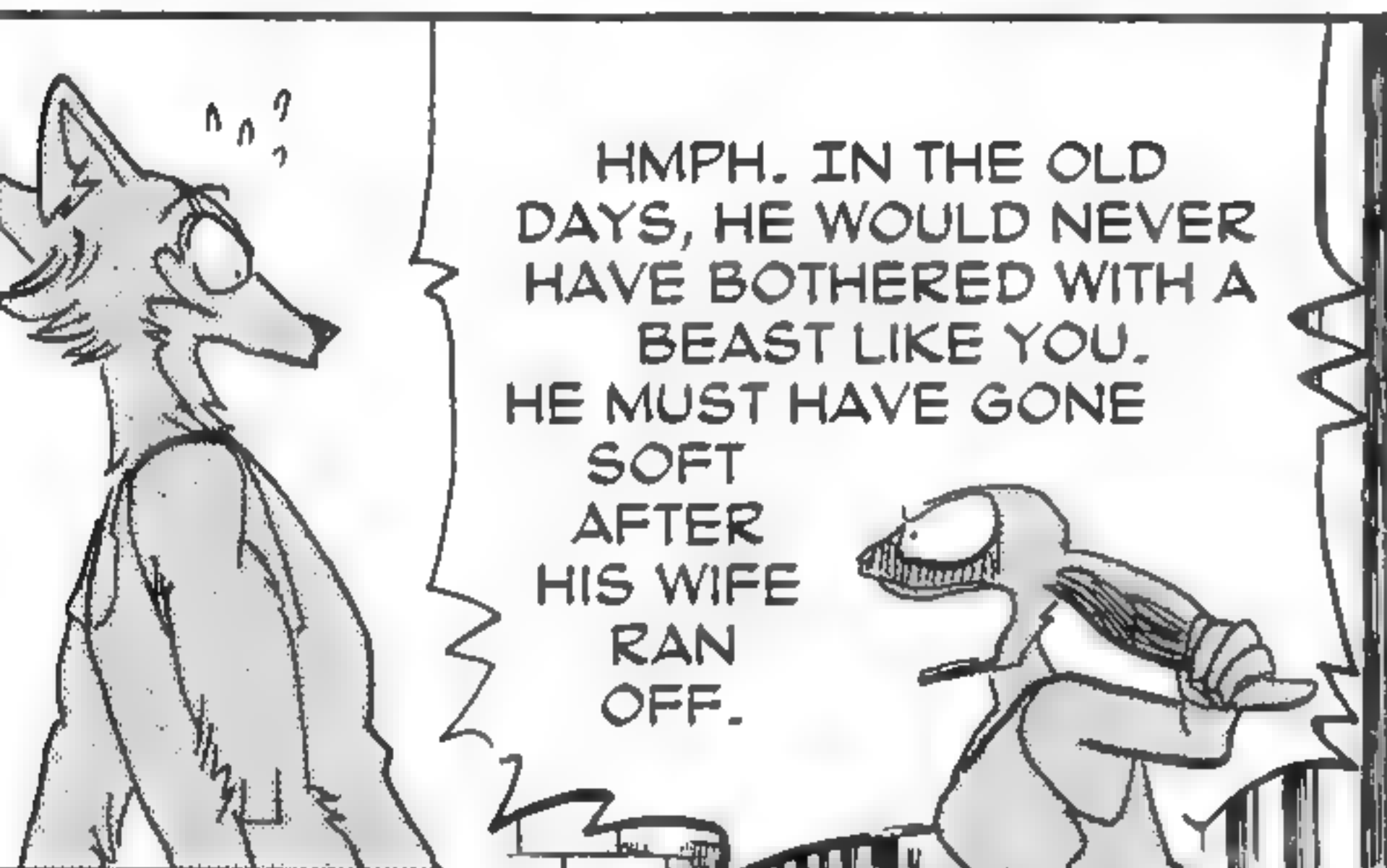
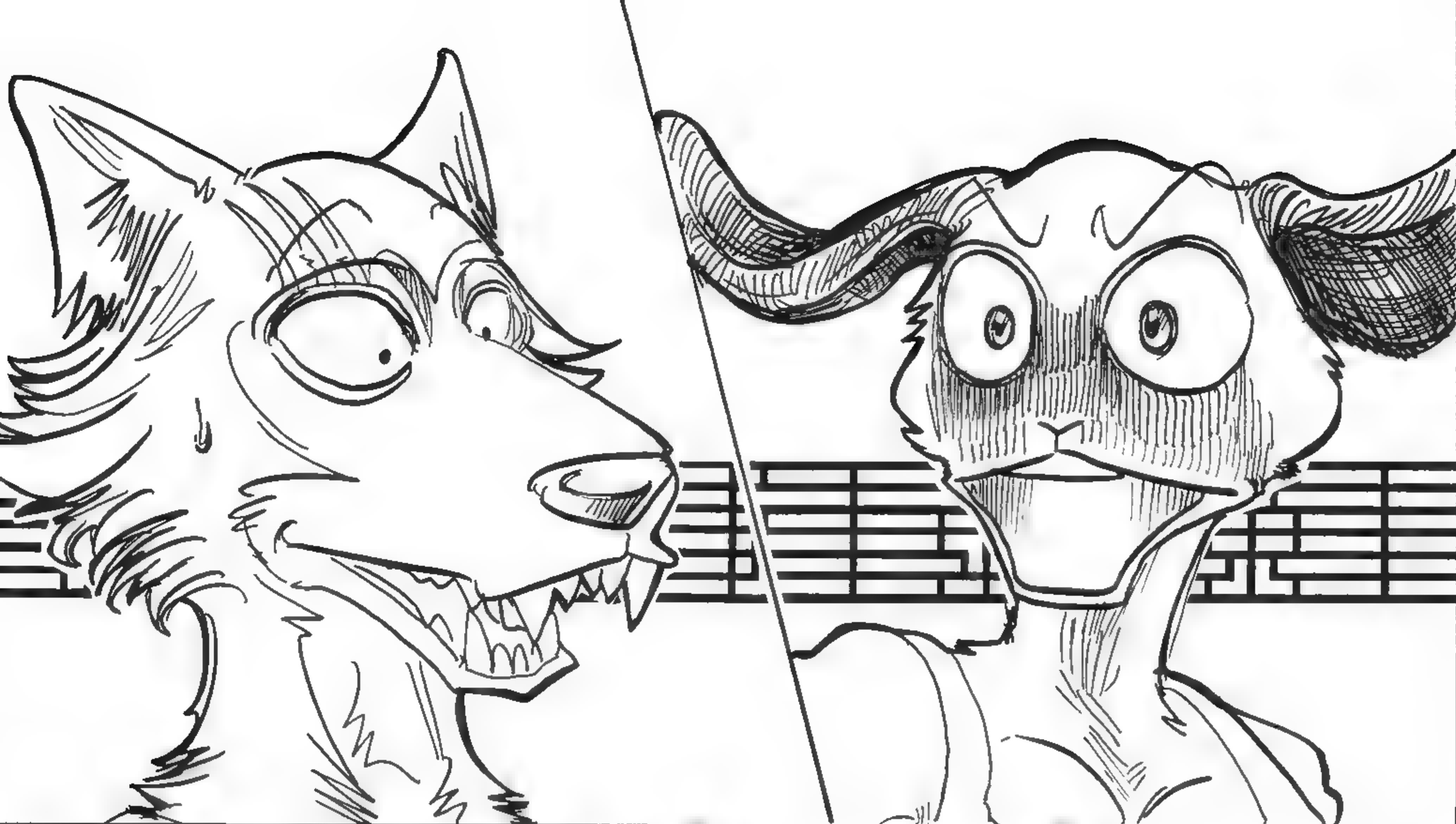
HER
CIGARETTE
BRAND IS
THE SAME
AS THE ONE
THE PSY-
CHOLOGIST
SMOKES!

I
RECOG-
NIZE
THIS
SCENT...

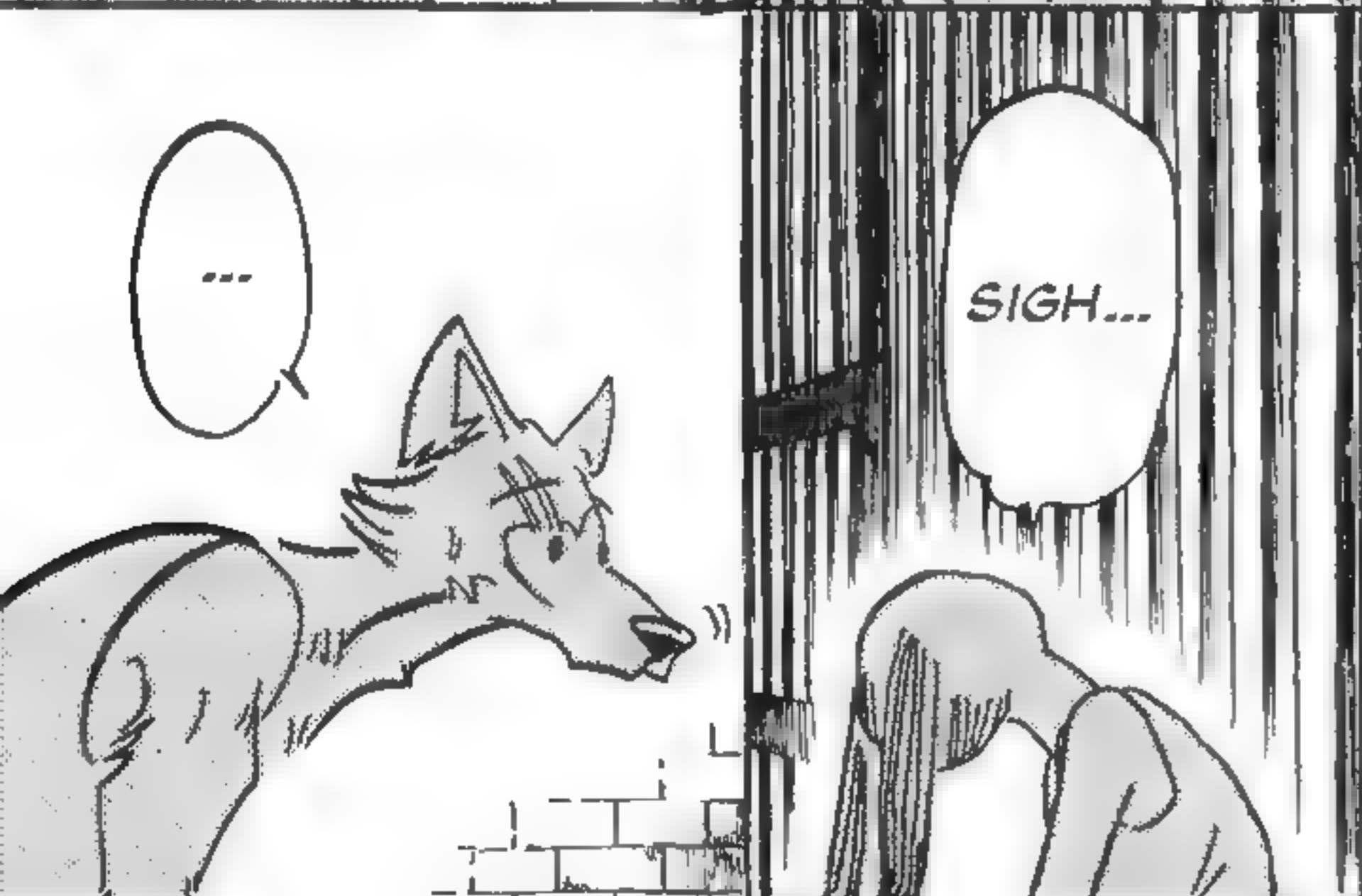


COULD
HE BE...?

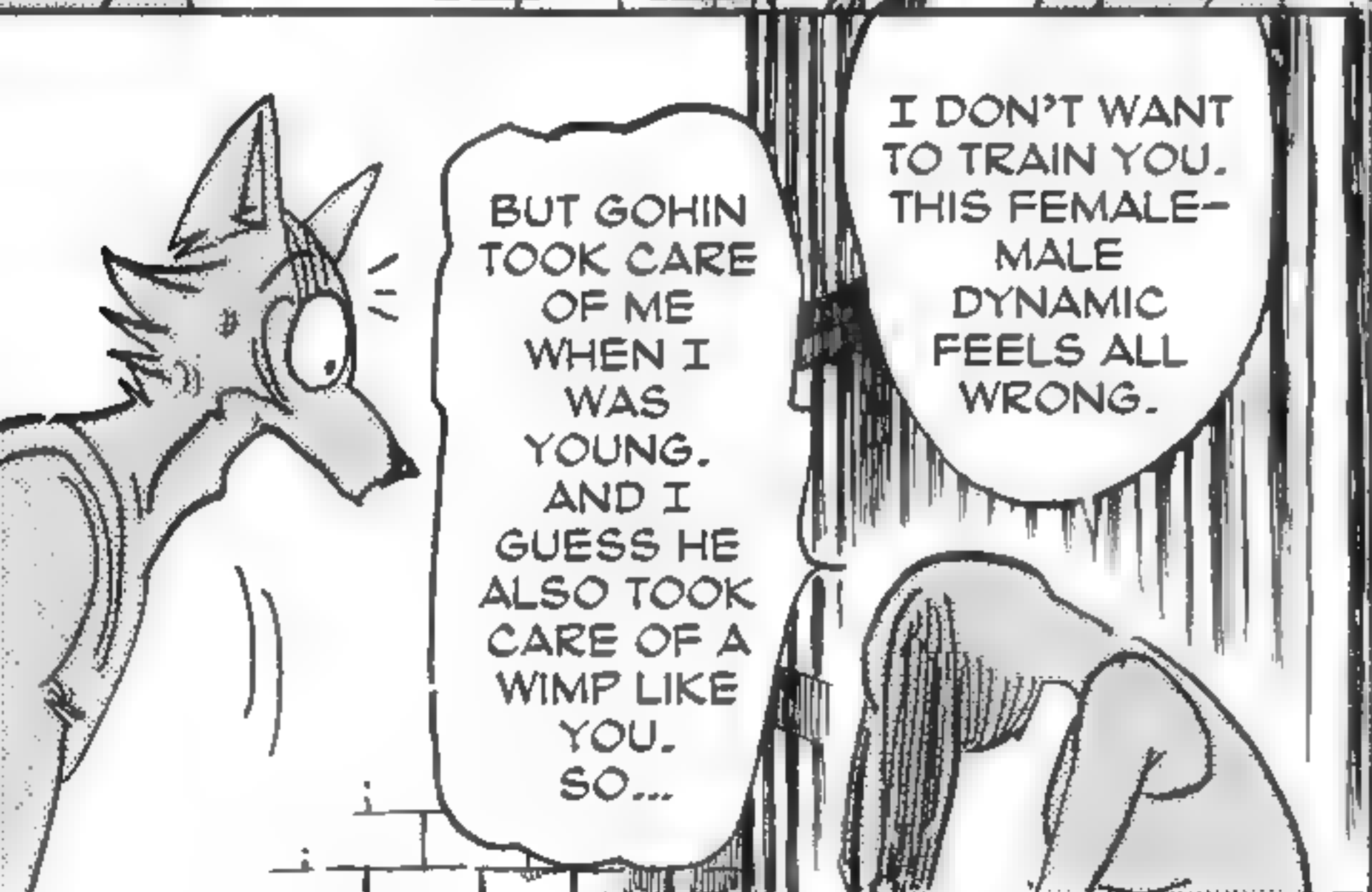




HMPH. IN THE OLD DAYS, HE WOULD NEVER HAVE BOTHERED WITH A BEAST LIKE YOU. HE MUST HAVE GONE SOFT AFTER HIS WIFE RAN OFF.



SIGH...



BUT GOHIN TOOK CARE OF ME WHEN I WAS YOUNG. AND I GUESS HE ALSO TOOK CARE OF A WIMP LIKE YOU. SO...

I DON'T WANT TO TRAIN YOU. THIS FEMALE-MALE DYNAMIC FEELS ALL WRONG.



GOHIN WOULD NEVER TAKE ON A SOFT WOLF LIKE YOU AS HIS TRAINEE!

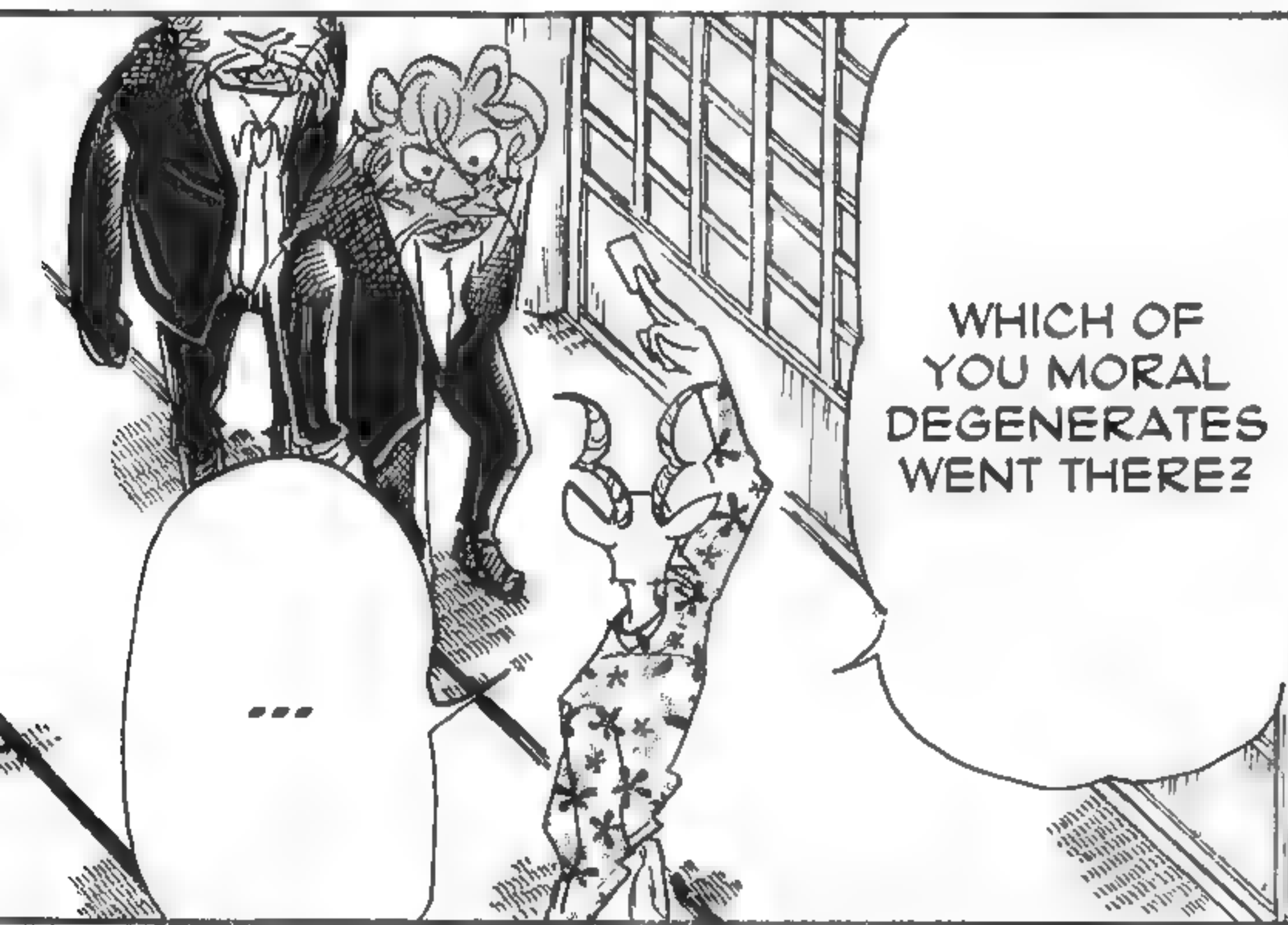
NO WAY! YOU'RE HIS STUDENT TOO?!

UM, WELL... HE DID BERATE ME A LOT...





Chapter 162: Early Afternoon for a Good Wife and Wise Mother





I'M
MAKING
HOT POT
FOR DINNER
TONIGHT.

THK
THK
THK
MELON...



I
CAN
FIND
OUT
WHO
IT IS IF
YOU
WANT.

THE
SHISHI-GUMI
IS RAKING
IN A LOT OF
MONEY LATELY,
AND OUR
REPUTATION
HAS
SKYROCKETED.
SO IT'S
POSSIBLE
ONE OF
US...



THE SCENT
OF AN ADULT
AND THE
SCENT OF A
CHILD. DO
YOU KNOW
WHY THEIR
SCENTS ARE
DIFFERENT?

THERE ARE
TWO TYPES
OF FEMALE
SCENTS.

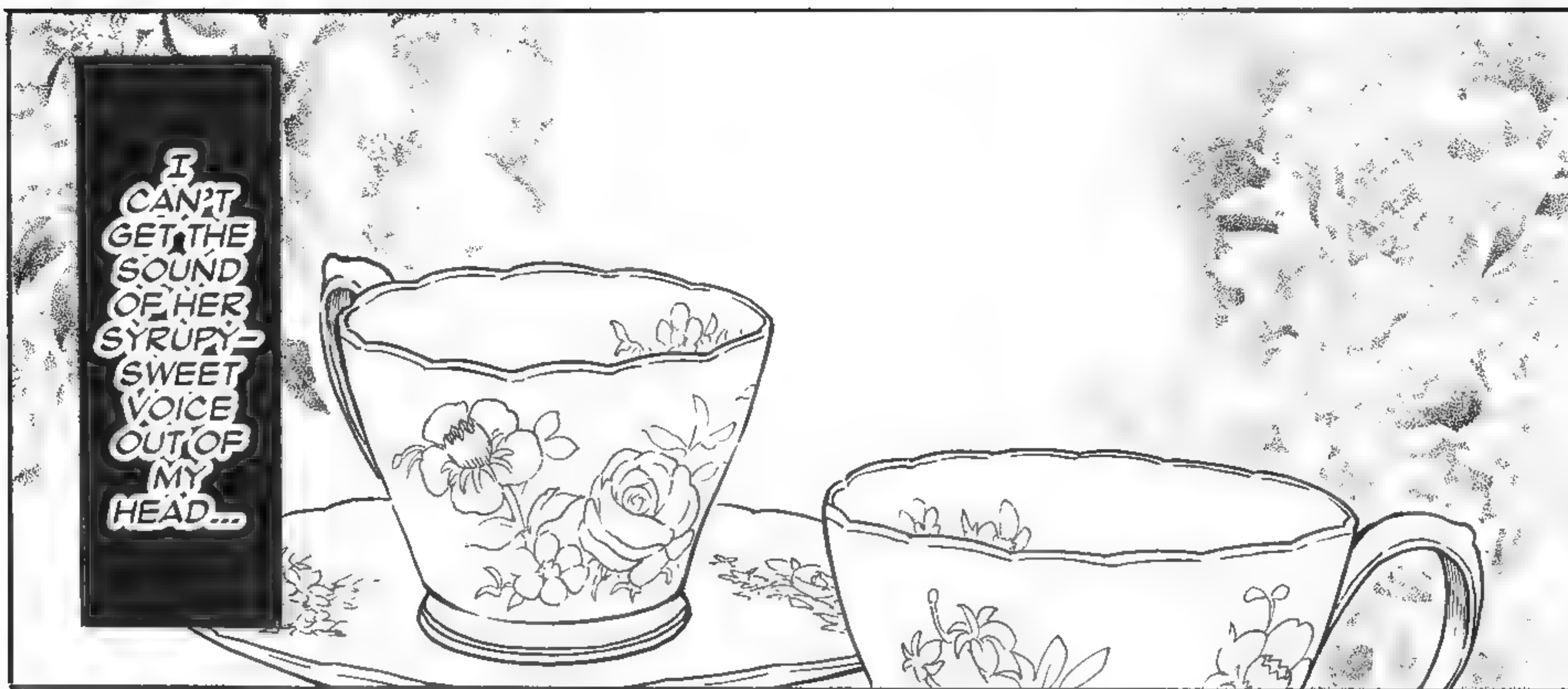


SNIFF
THAT'S WHY
I HATE THE
SMELL OF
ADULT
FEMALES.

THEY
TURN INTO
MONSTERS
OBSESSED
WITH LOVE.

BECAUSE
FEMALES
TRANSFORM
WHEN THEY
GROW UP.





I
CAN'T
GET THE
SOUND
OF HER
SYRUPY-
SWEET
VOICE
OUT OF
MY
HEAD...

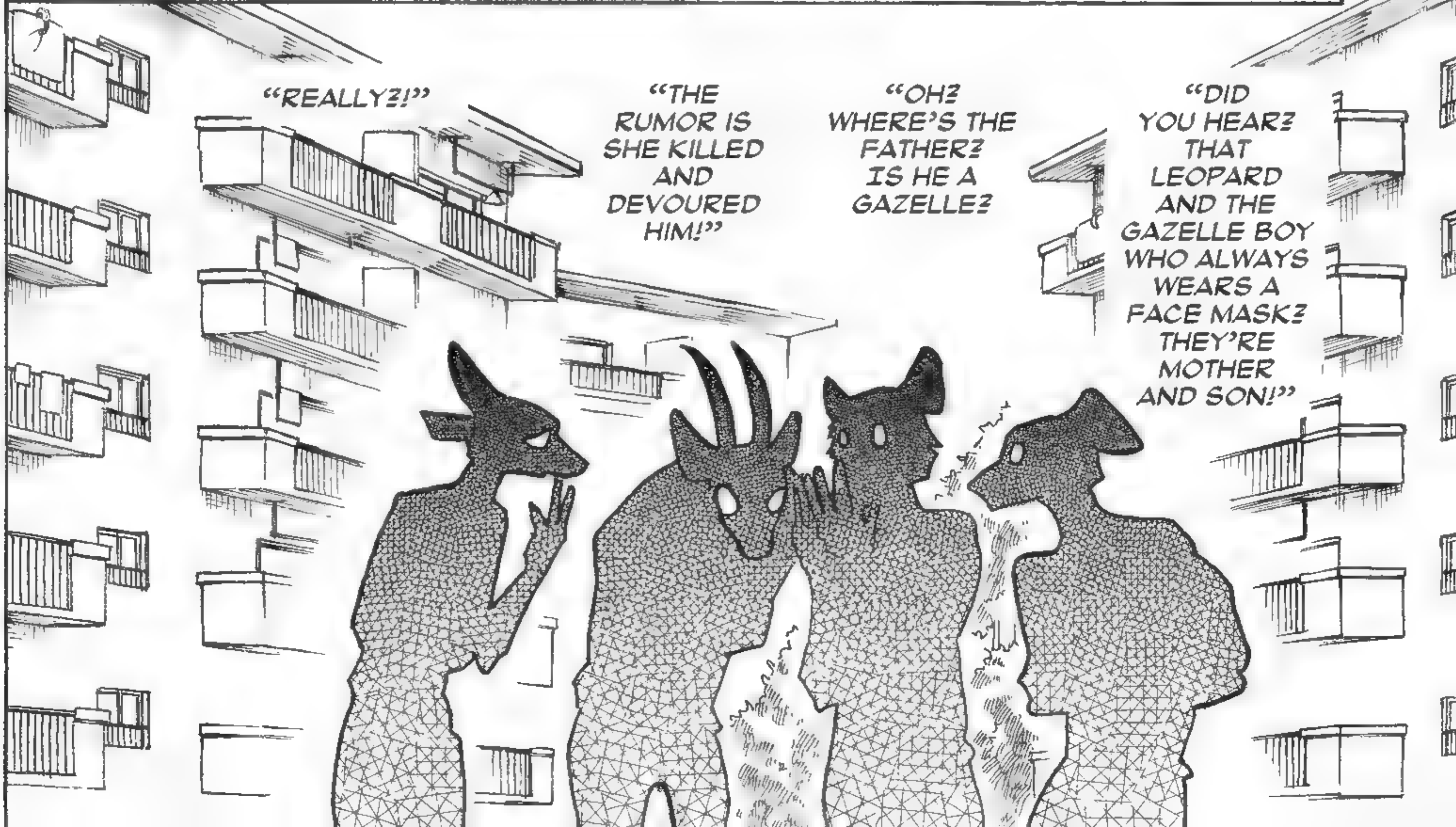


...OR THE SIGHT
OF OUR LIVING
ROOM DECKED
OUT IN FLORAL
PATTERNS AND
LACE.



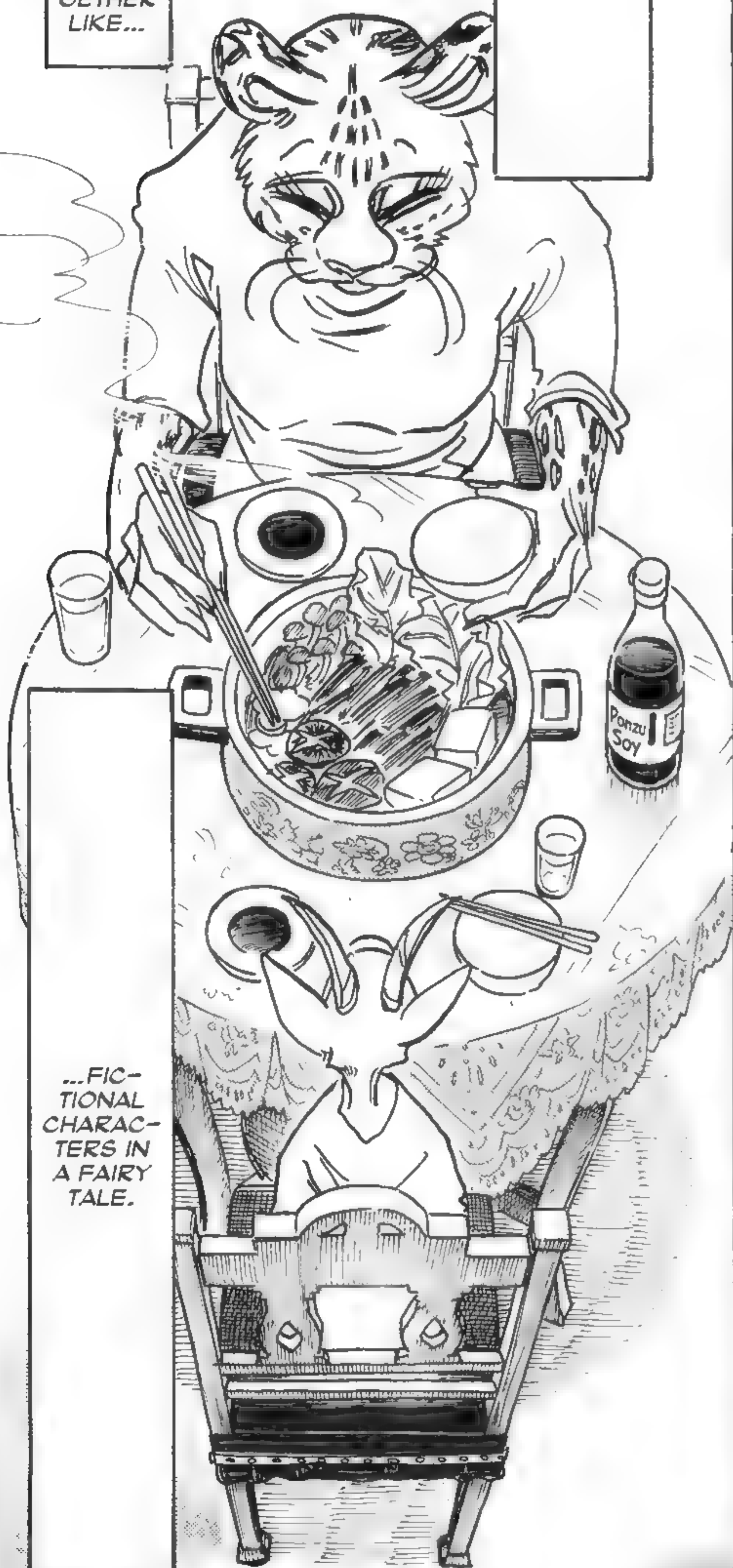
SHE DEC-
ORATED
THE ROOM
LIKE A
CASTLE.

WE
LIVED
IN AN
APART-
MENT
COM-
PLEX.



THE
TWO
OF US
LIVED
TO-
GETHER
LIKE...

MOM
CREATED
A
FANTASY
LIFE FOR
US.



...FIC-
TIONAL
CHARAC-
TERS IN
A FAIRY
TALE.

...MOM
NEVER
SAID A
WORD
ABOUT
MY
MISSING
DAD.

NO MATTER
HOW OFTEN
THOSE
TERRIBLE
RUMORS
WERE
REPEATED...



AND I
NEVER TOLD
HER THAT I
GOT BULLIED
AT SCHOOL
FOR BEING
HALF-
CARNIVORE,
HALF-
HERBIVORE.



IN THAT ROOM,
I WASN'T
ALLOWED TO
SPEAK OPENLY
WITH HER.

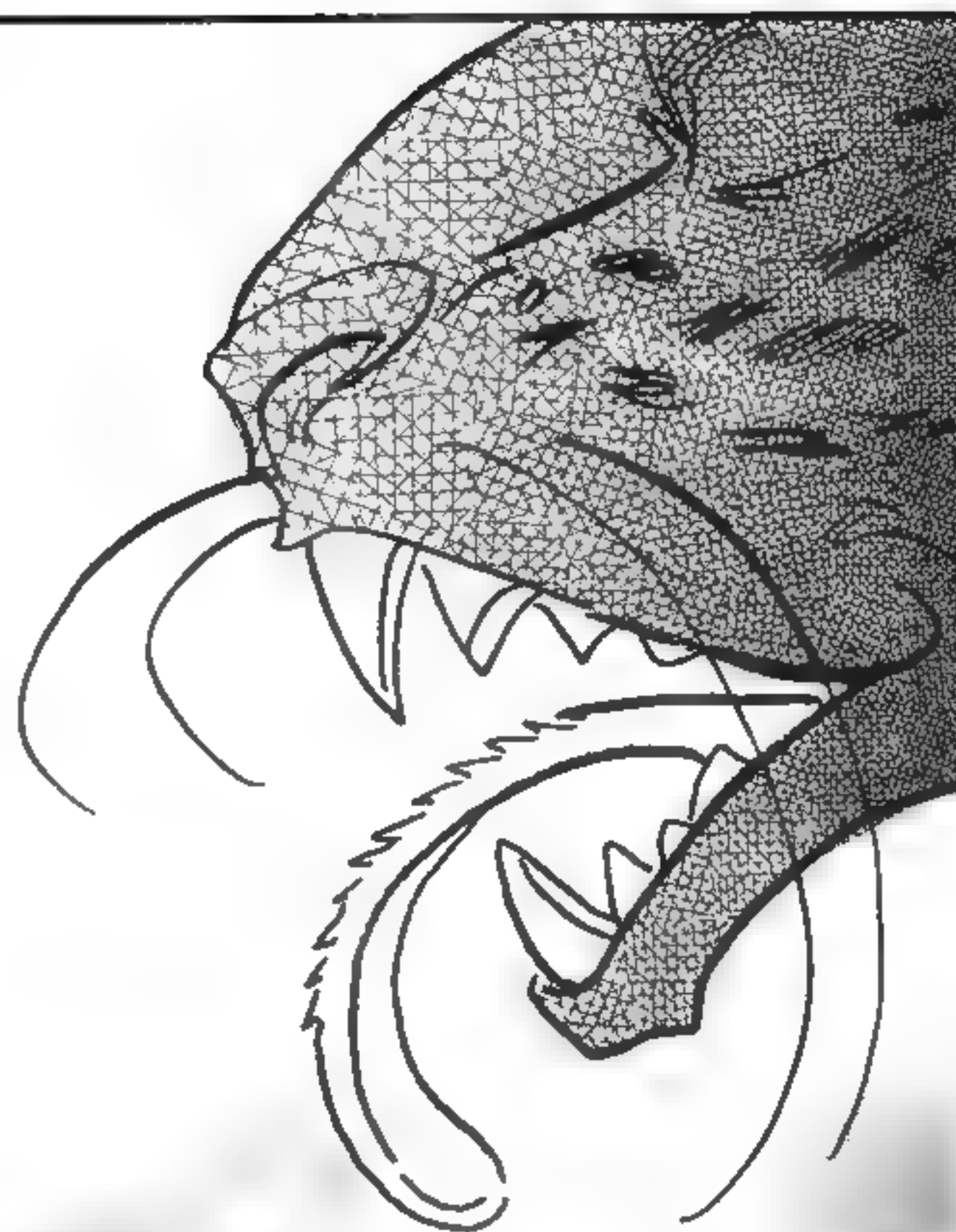






I LIKED
HEARING
MY
MOTHER
SAY MY
NAME.

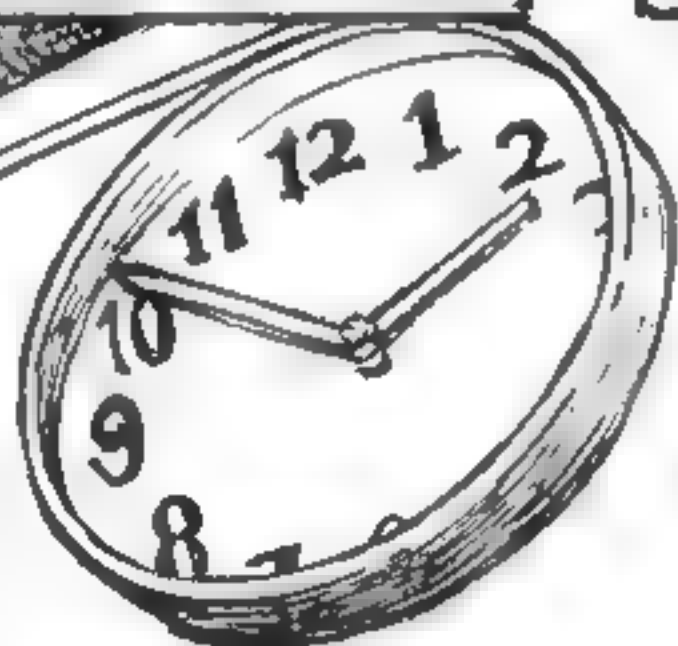
THE TINY BUMPS
ON HER FELIDAE
TONGUE WERE
AS SHARP AS A
GRATER. WHEN
SHE SAID MY
NAME "MELON,"
THE WORD ROLLED
SWEETLY OFF
HER TONGUE.



NOT ONE
THING
OR THE
OTHER,
BUT AN
UNHOLY
MIX OF
BOTH.

NOT SOME
FREAK-HALF-
CARNIVORE,
HALF-
HERBIVORE
MONSTER...

IT MADE
ME FEEL
LIKE I
WAS
JUST
MELON.



What is
the origin
of your
name?

Avoid colds
and flus!
Wash your hands,
fur, and feathers.
Scrub your claws.
Gargle with
antiseptic.

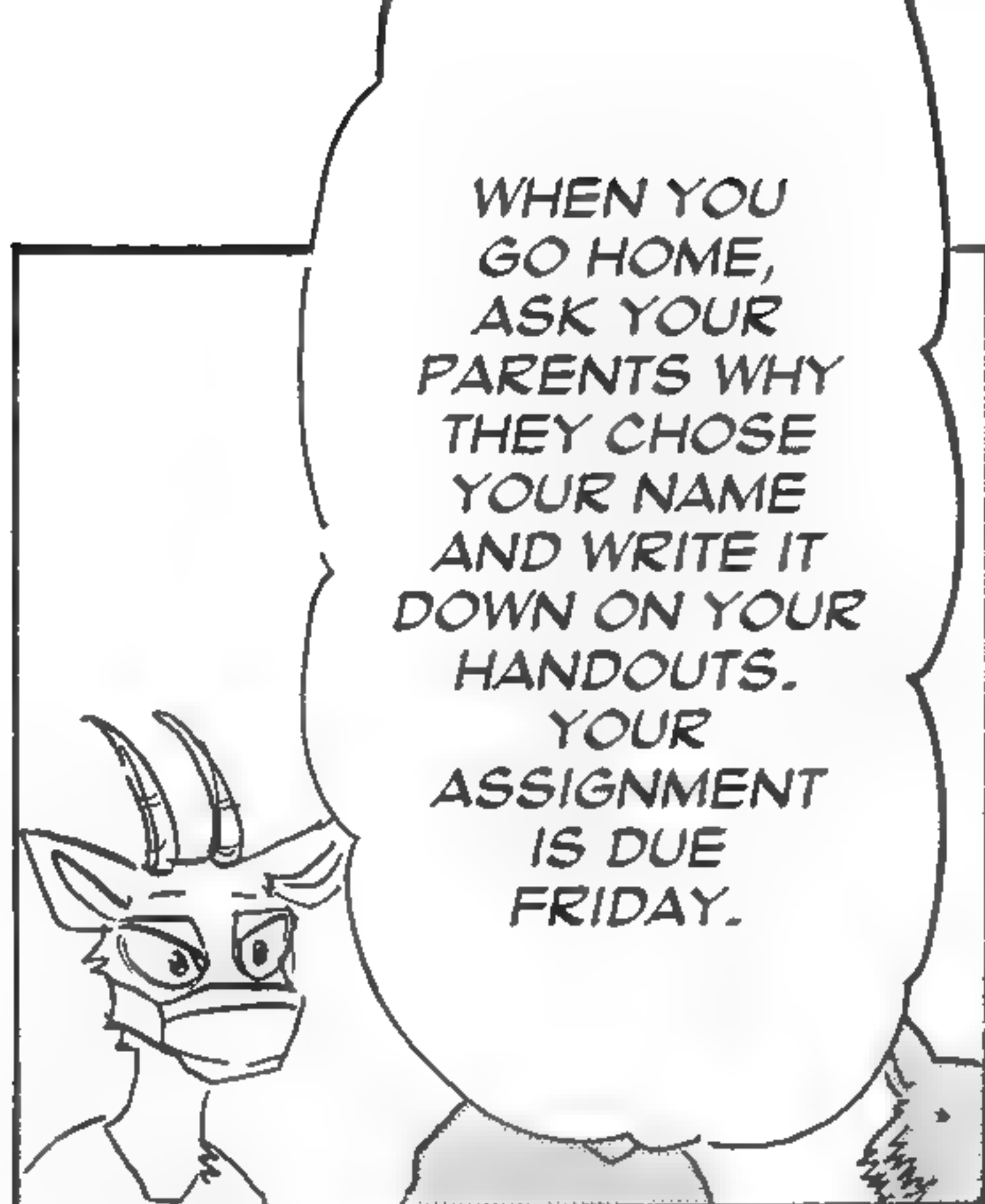
February
25

Wednesday

Daily
Duties
Suzu
Alice

FOR TODAY'S
ETHICS CLASS,
THIS WILL BE
OUR THEME.

水
火
日
月
算
国
社
理
道
体
図
国



WHEN YOU
GO HOME,
ASK YOUR
PARENTS WHY
THEY CHOSE
YOUR NAME
AND WRITE IT
DOWN ON YOUR
HANDOUTS.
YOUR
ASSIGNMENT
IS DUE
FRIDAY.



SO THE
MEANING OF
YOUR NAME IS
SIGNIFICANT.

YOUR
NAME IS
THE FIRST
GIFT OF
LOVE YOUR
PARENTS
GAVE YOU.

What is
the origin
of your
name?

Wednesday

Daily
Duties:
Suzu
Alice



COOL!



ASK
YOUR
MOM!

I BET SHE
NAMED YOU
MELON
BECAUSE SHE
LIKES MELON
BUNS!

HEY, MELON!
WHAT DOES
YOUR STUPID
NAME MEAN?!

I WANT
TO KILL
THEM.



YOUR
LEOPARD
MOM'S
CRAZY!
SHE GAVE
BIRTH TO
A HALF-
GAZELLE
BEAST!



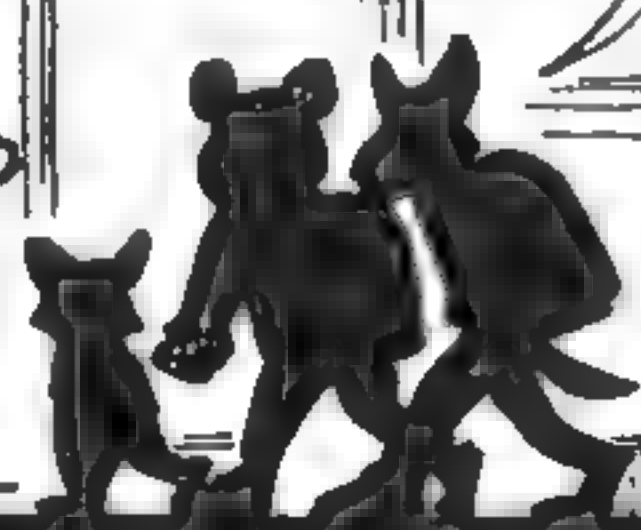
BUT EVEN
THOUGH
I WAS
HER SON,
HER OWN
FLESH
AND
BLOOD,
I DIDN'T
KNOW
IF SHE
WOULD
FORGIVE
ME.

I SERI-
OUSLY
CON-
SIDERED
KILLING
THEM.

WHAT
WOULD MOM
THINK IF I
DEFENDED
HER HONOR
BY KILL-
ING THESE
BEASTS?

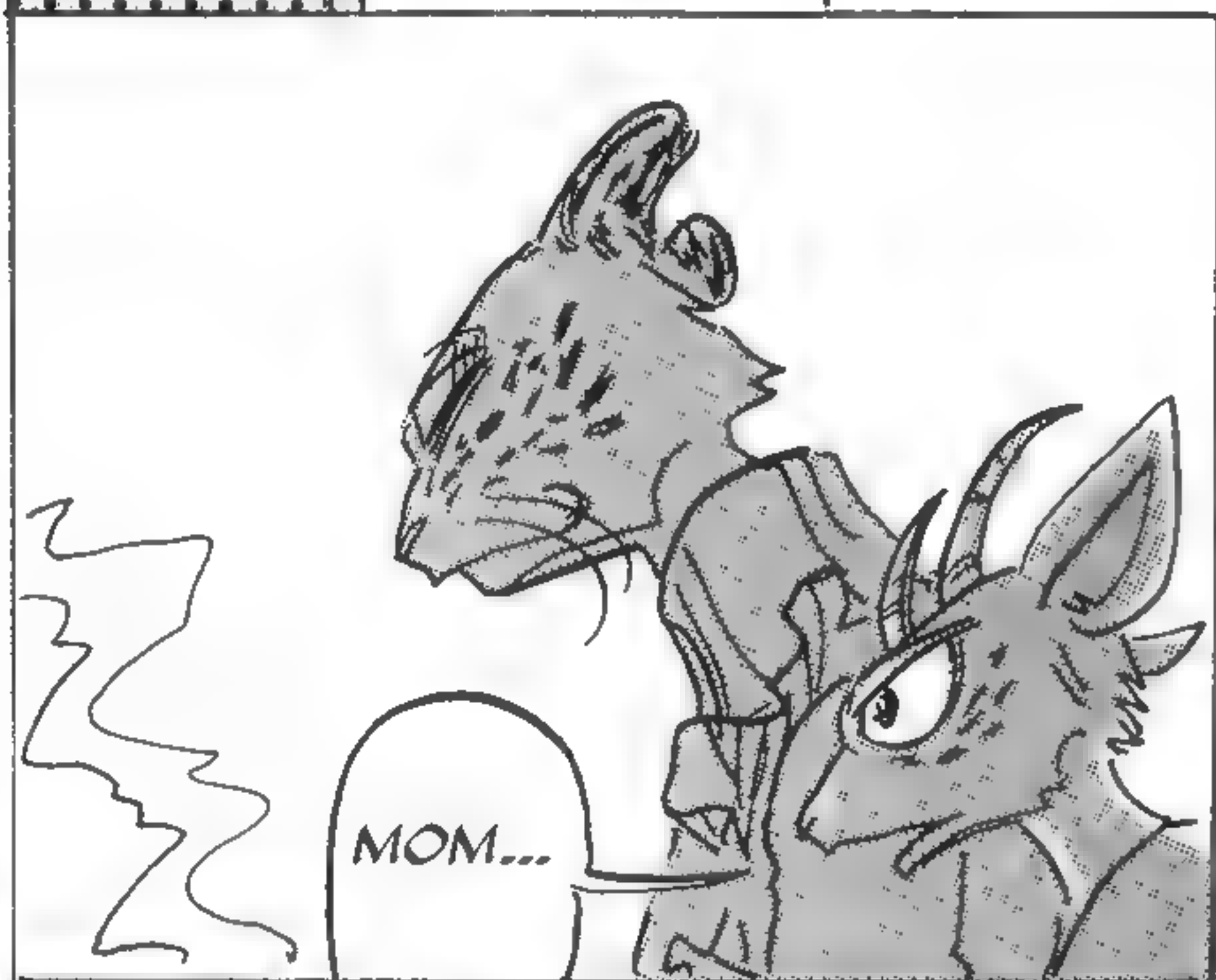


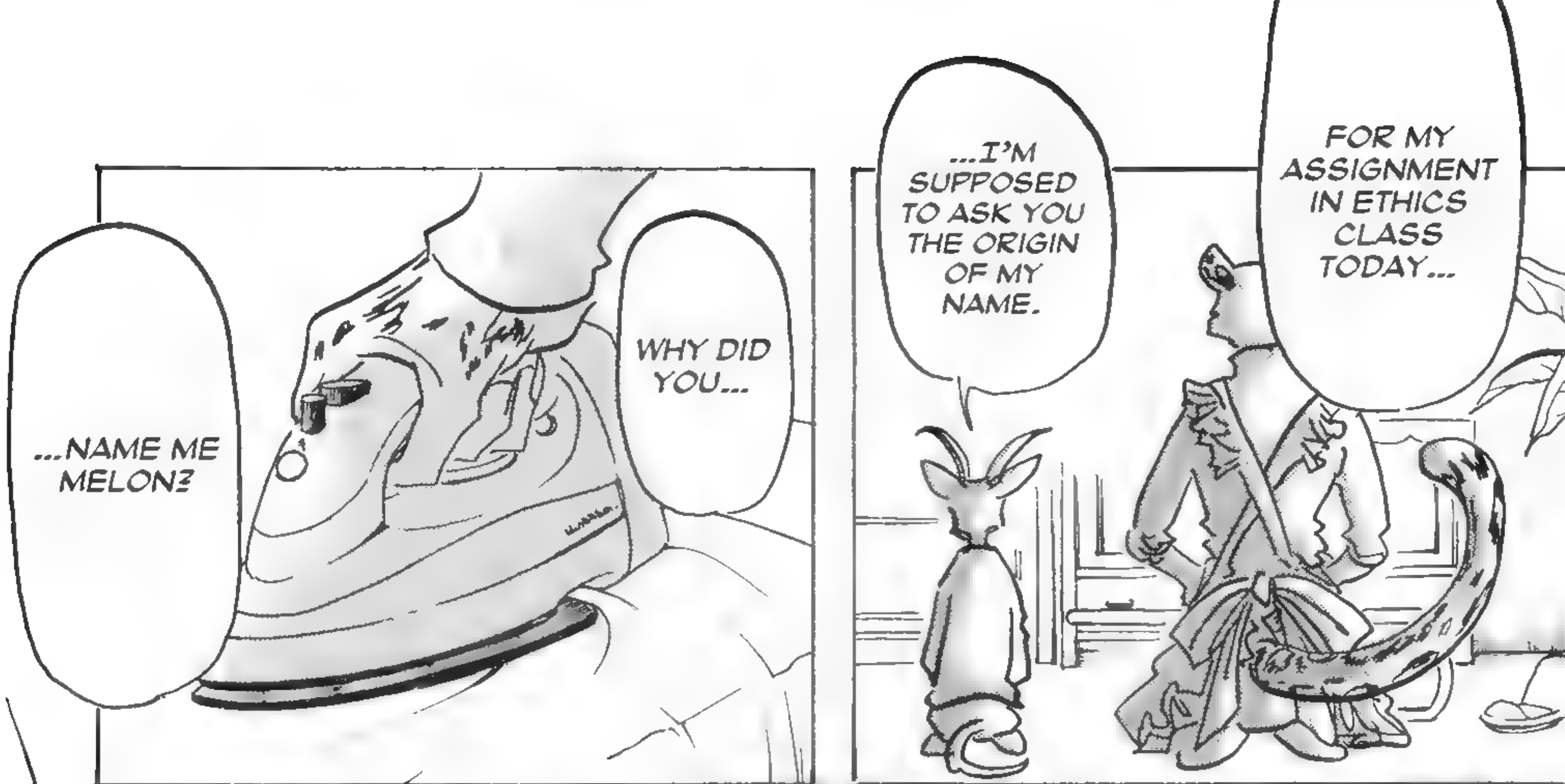
WHAT A
CREEP!
LET'S GET
OUTTA HERE!



WHOA!







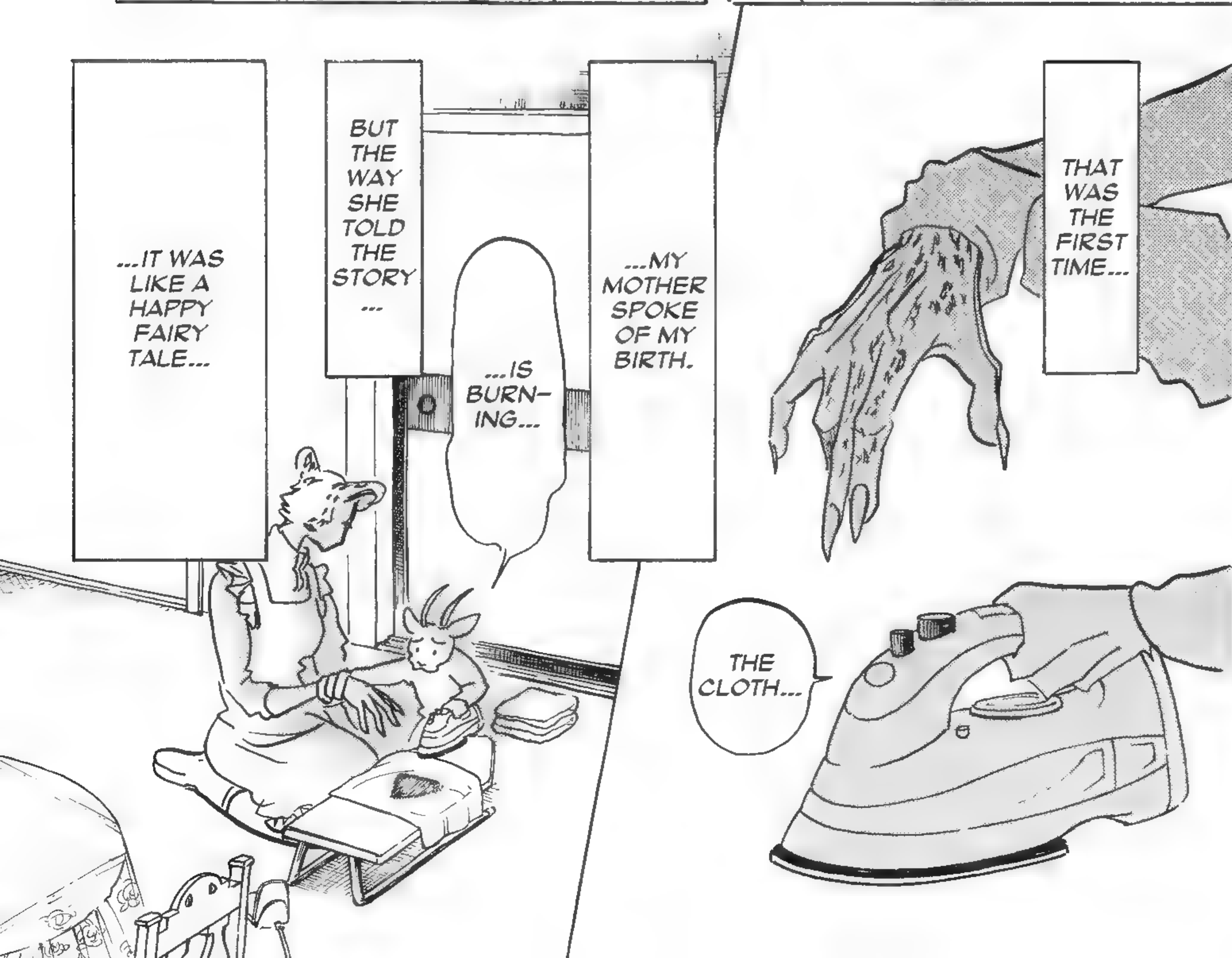


BECAUSE A
MELON...



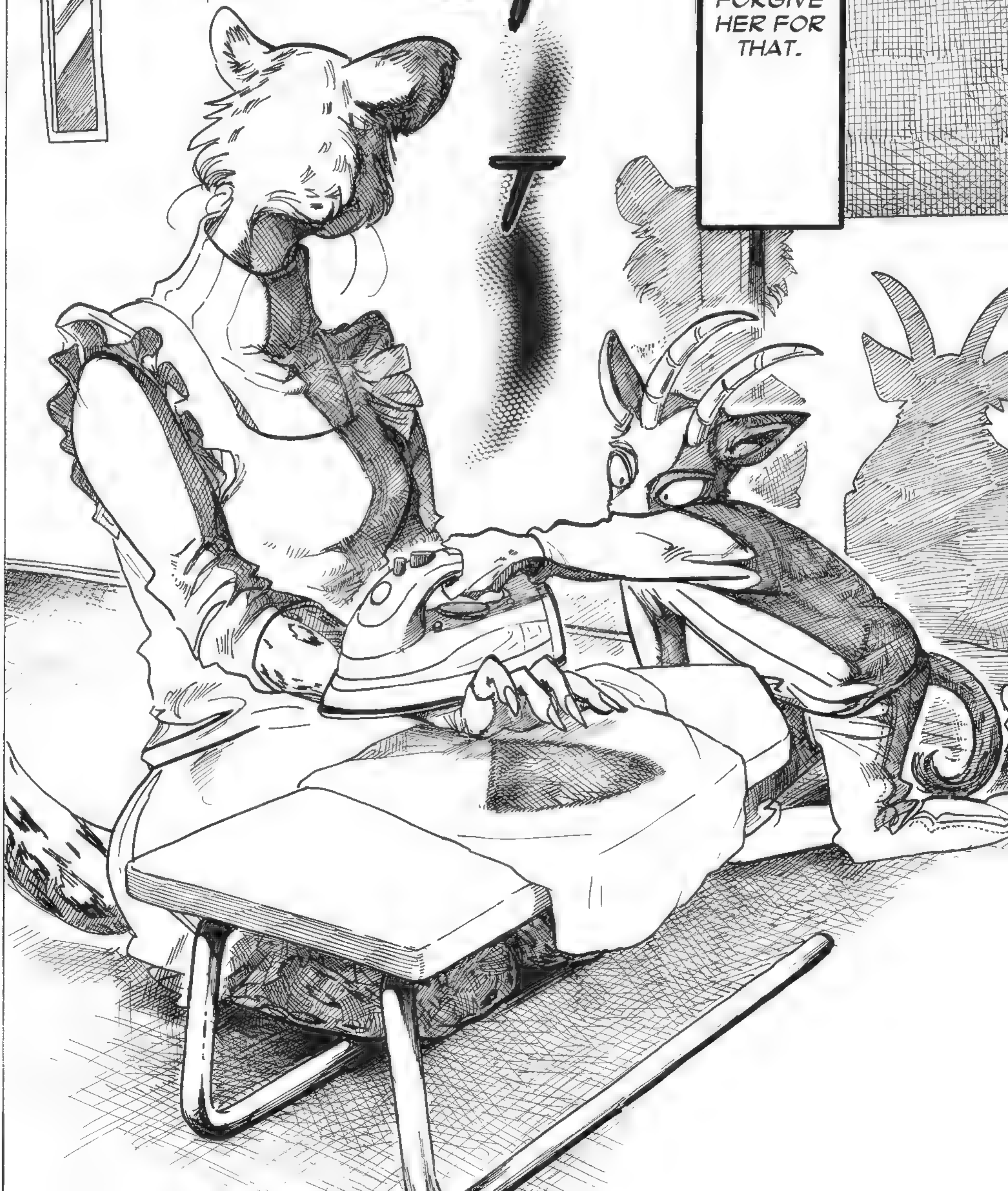
...NOR
VEGETABLE.

...IS
NEITHER
FRUIT...





...AND I
COULDN'T
FORGIVE
HER FOR
THAT.





MY LIFE
AS A
HALF-
CARNIVORE,
HALF-
HERBIVORE
BEAST
IS REAL.
I'M
REAL.

IT'S
REAL...

MOM...

I LOVE
YOUR EYES...
THEY'RE JUST
LIKE YOUR
FATHER'S.




I KNOW
THAT.

YOU
EMBODY THE
BEAUTY OF
HERBIVORES.

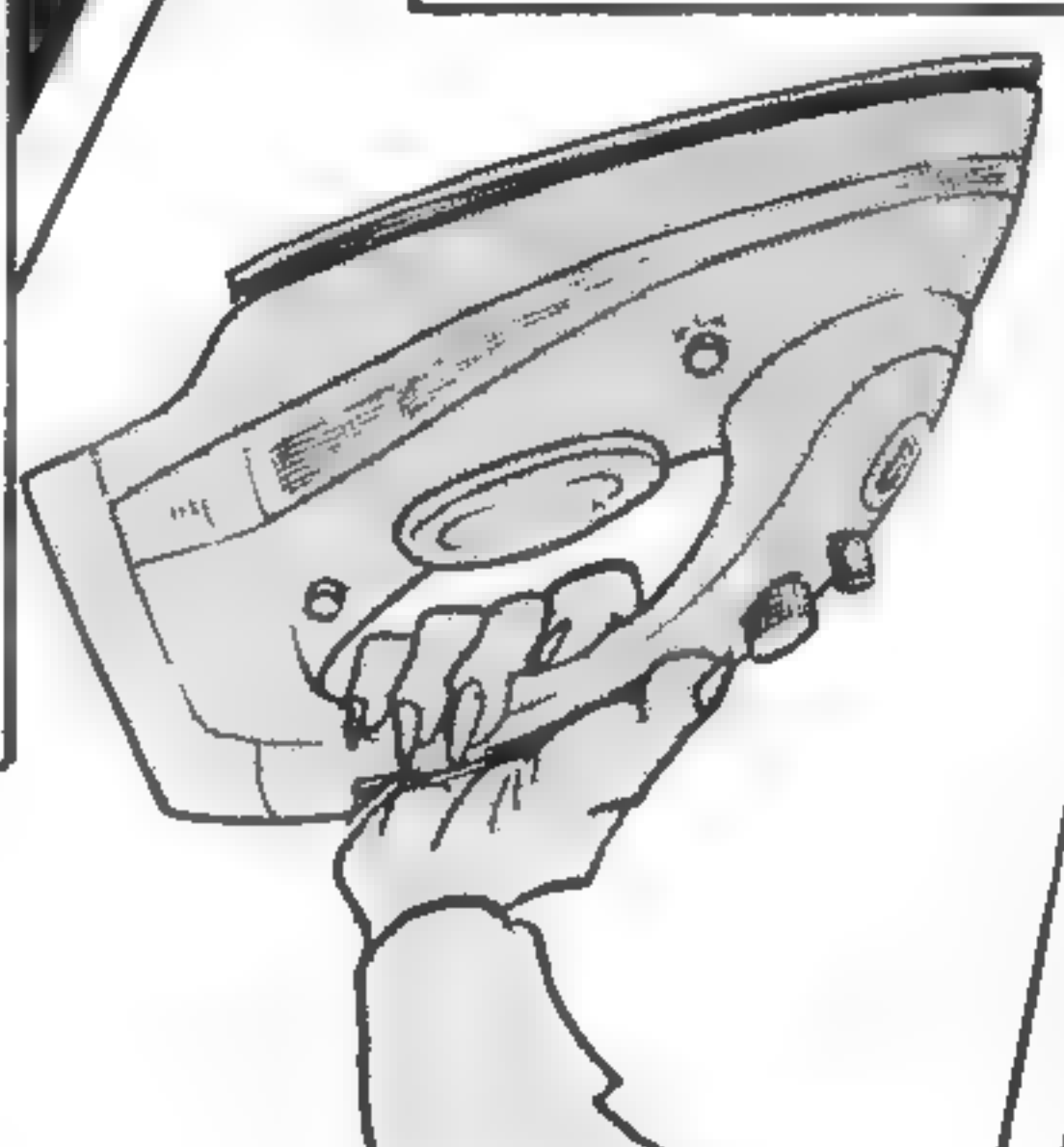


YOUR
NERVOUS
GLANCES
AROUND YOU...
YOUR FRAIL,
DELICATE
BODY...



...REMEMBER
THE TASTE OF
YOUR FATHER.
I TRULY
LOVED HIM...

I NAMED
YOU MELON
SO I
COULD...



THEY WERE
THERE TO
SCRAPE OFF
THE LAST
SHREDS OF
FLESH
CLINGING TO
AN ANIMAL'S
BONES!


THE TINY
BUMPS ON
HER FELIDAE
TONGUE AS
SHARP AS A
GRATER DIDN'T
EXIST TO
SOFTLY CALL
HER CHILD'S
NAME.

THE
WORDS
ROL-
LING
OUT OF
HER
MOUTH
...

THE
SWEET
SOUND
OF
MOM'S
VOICE...



I SAW
THE
TRUTH.



YOU
WERE IN
LOVE
UNTIL THE
VERY END...

...I
DIDN'T
CORRECT
MY
MOTHER'S
MIS-
UNDER-
STANDING
ABOUT
ME.

MY
ONLY
REGRET
IS
THAT
...

...OUR
HOME
BECAME
REAL.

WHEN I
SHRED-
DED
HER
LUDI-
CROUS
FURNI-
TURE
AND
DECOR
...

WHEN
I DE-
STROYED
MY
MOTHER,
I DE-
STROYED
THE
MADNESS
IN HER.

I'M NOT
LIKE MY
FATHER.



HELLO,
POLICEZ!
SOMEONE
BROKE
INTO
OUR
PLACE!

I
TAKE
AFTER
YOU,
MOTH-
ER.

Chapter 163: Don't Look Down or Your Fur Will Fall in Your Eyes







DID YOU
ENJOY MY
STORY,
AGATA?

UM...

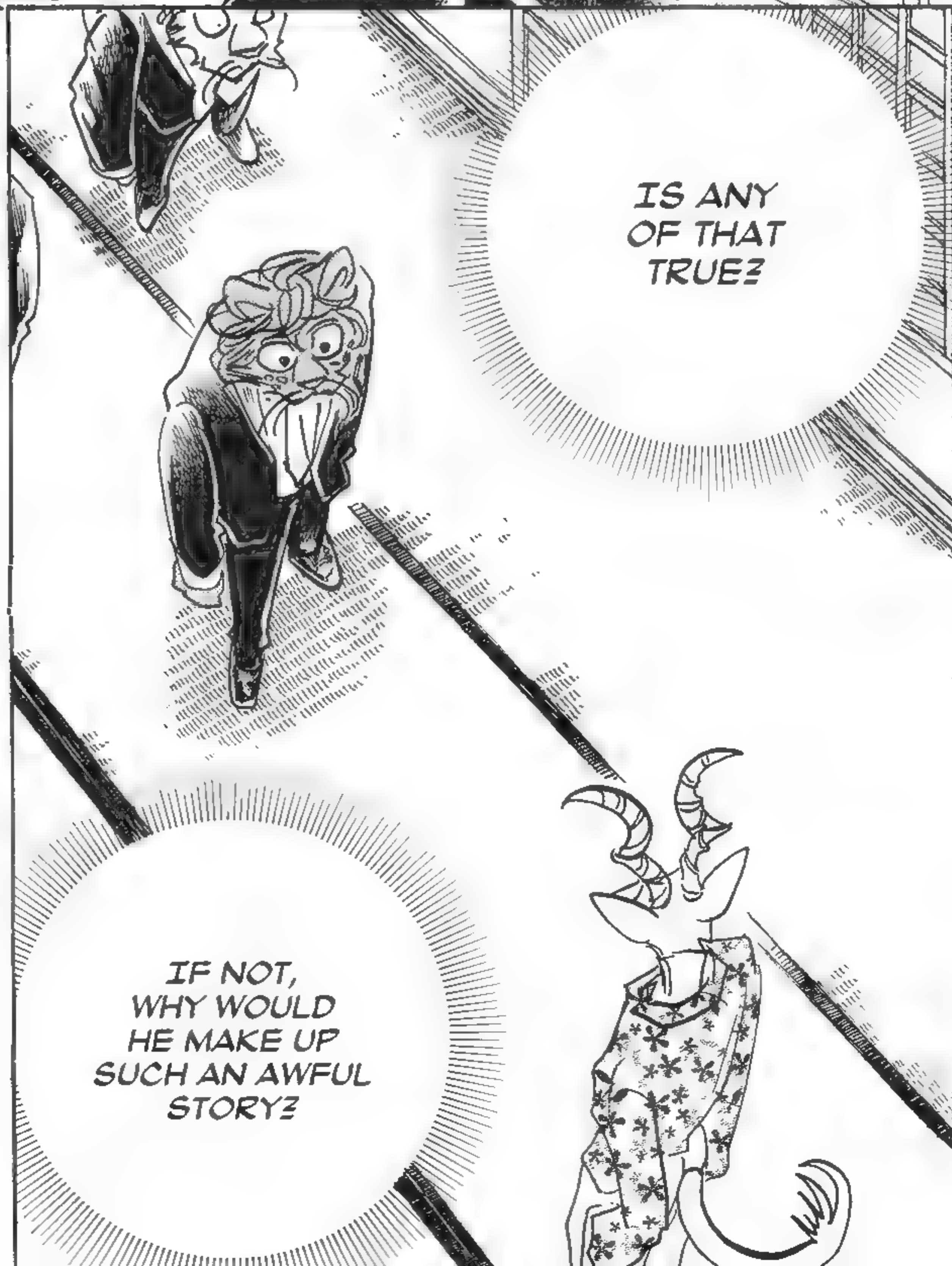
HOW
COME HE
TOLD US
ABOUT HIS
MOTHER
NOW?



MAYBE
THAT
SCENT
THAT
REMINDS
HIM OF HIS
MOTHER
TRIGGERED
HIS
MEMORY.



BUT HIS
TIMING
SEEMS TOO
CALCULATED.



IS ANY
OF THAT
TRUE?

IF NOT,
WHY WOULD
HE MAKE UP
SUCH AN AWFUL
STORY?



NOW
WHAT...?

DOES HE
SUSPECT I
WAS GOING
TO KILL HIM
TODAY?



AND HE
KILLED OUR
FRIEND DOLPH
TO WIN THE
TURF WAR!

...ONLY
LETS
US EAT
MELONS.

THAT
BAS-
TARD...

WHO-
EVER THE
WHISKER
POINTS
TO KILLS
MELON,
OKAY?!

ENOUGH
AL-
READY!
IT'S
TIME FOR
WHISKER
DIVINA-
TION!

GRAB

...

I WANT
TO.
DOLPH
ALWAYS
LOOKED
OUT FOR
ME.

WE
DON'T
NEED TO.
I'M THE
YOUNGEST.
I'LL DO IT.

WE'RE
DOING
WHISKER
DIVINA-
TION
AGAIN?

AGATA,
THE
PRIDE
OF THE
SHISHI-
GUMI!

AGATA!
W-WHOA!



I HATE IT
WHEN THIS
HAPPENS!

I WISH
I COULD
JUST...

I'M
NERVOUS,
AND IT'S HOT.
I'M STARTING
TO SWEAT...



...SHAVE
OFF MY
MANE!



THEY'RE
POINTLESS
DECORATIONS,
THAT'S ALL!
AND WAY
TOO WARM.
WHAT A
DRAG. I
WISH WE
MALE LIONS
WERE AS
POWER-
FUL AS WE
LOOK!



IN
REALITY,
OUR POWER
IS CON-
CENTRATED
IN OUR
FELIDAE
PSYCHIC
SENSES.
AND
THOSE
ARE ONLY
GOOD
FOR
TRIVIAL
FOR-
TUNE-
TELLING
AND
GAMBLING.



HEH...
I'M
BOIL-
ING
HOT
NOW...

MALE
LIONS
ARE
COW-
ARDS
BY
NATURE.
WE GET
EASILY
FLUS-
TERED.
AND
THEN
OUR
TEMPER-
ATURE
RISES.

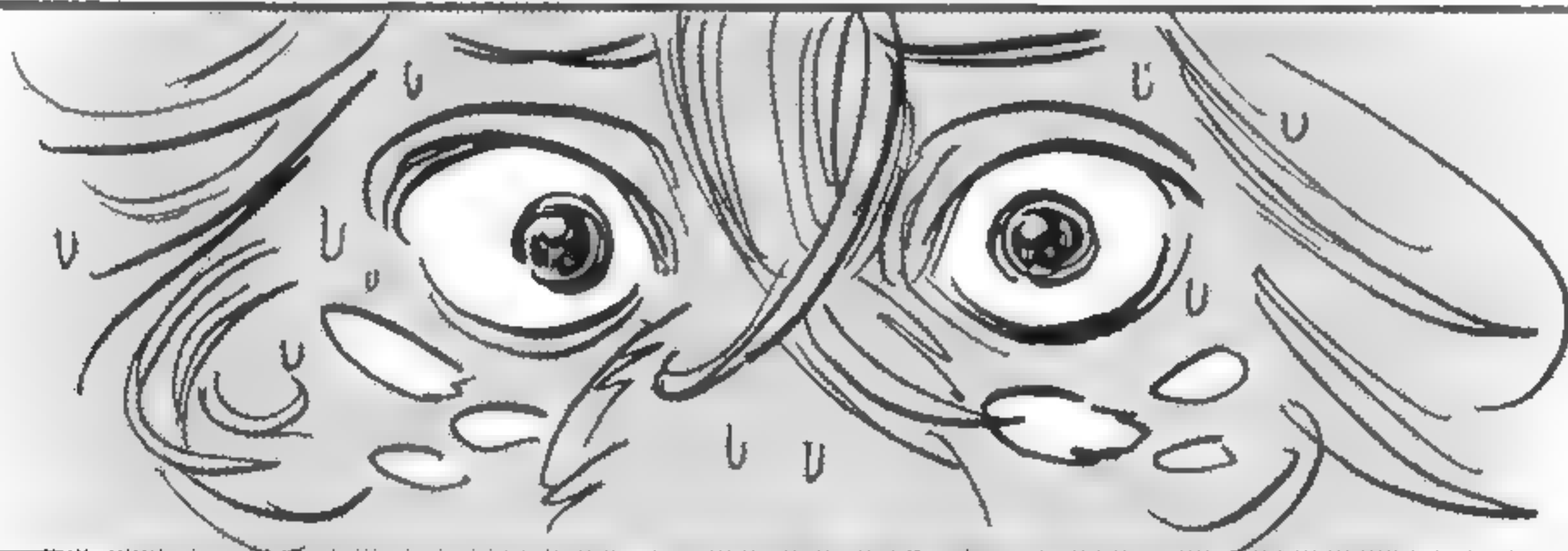
WHAT GOOD
ARE OUR
MAGNIFICENT
MANES?!







AND OF COURSE WE MALE LIONS...



...ARE
TOR-
MENTED
BY THIS
EXPRES-
SION.

I REBELLED BY
GETTING INTO TROUBLE
WITH THE LAW.
OTHER STUDENTS
FOLLOWED MY LEAD—
EVEN THOUGH I WAS
COMPLETELY AIMLESS.



AT HOME,
MY MOTHER
WAS IN
CHARGE.
SHE WAS
STRICT.



WHEN I WAS
A CUB, I WAS
NOMINATED
FOR CLASS
| REPRE-
SENTATIVE—
EVEN THOUGH
MY GRADES
WERE TER-
RIBLE.



I PASSIVELY FELL INTO A LIFE OF CRIME...

**...AND DISCOVERED THAT EVEN THE
BLACK MARKET FEARS MALE LIONS.**

AND
THAT'S
HOW WE
BECAME
THE
SHISHI-
GUMI.



WHEN
WE MET,
WE DIS-
COVERED
WE HAD
A LOT IN
COMMON.



WE
COULD
TALK
ABOUT
THINGS
WE
DIDN'T
DARE
SHARE
WITH
ANY
OTHER
SPE-
CIES.

WE KINGS
OF THE
BEASTS
COULD
OPEN UP
TO EACH
OTHER.

Catnip



YEAH?
z

HEY,
AGA-
TA...

DOLPH
TOOK ME
UNDER HIS
WING BECAUSE
I WAS THE
YOUNGEST.



WHAT?
THAT'S DUMB.
THIS HAIR
COLOR JUST
HAPPENS TO
RUN IN MY
FAMILY.


THE COLOR OF
YOUR MANE IS GOING
TO GET YOU IN
TROUBLE. BEASTS
ENVY LIONS WITH DARK
MANES. THEY THINK
IT MEANS YOU'RE
SUPERSTRONG.

BEING A
LION IS
HARD.




TAKE
GOOD CARE
OF IT UNTIL
IT'S GROWN
REALLY
BIG AND IM-
PRESSIVE.

TRUE.
BUT DON'T
SHAVE OFF
YOUR MANE.



"YOU
WERE
BORN
A MALE
LION."



"DON'T YOU
WANT TO
GROW UP
TO LOOK
AMAZING
AND LIVE
UP TO YOUR
TITLE, KING
OF THE
BEASTS?"

DOLPH...

...MY
MANE
WILL
ONLY BE
AN UN-
COMFORT-
ABLY HOT
DECORA-
TION FOR
THE REST
OF MY
LIFE!

IF I
DON'T
AVENGE
YOU
NOW...



WE
NEEDED
A LOT
OF
SHISHI-
GUMI
BLOOD.

I DID
WHAT I
HAD
TO DO.
ARE YOU
TRYING
TO SAY
I'M NOT
FIT TO
BE YOUR
BOSS
ANY-
MORE?



WE
WANTED
TO WIN
THAT TURF
WAR...

...BUT
YOU
KILLED
ONE OF
OUR
COMRADES
TO DO IT.



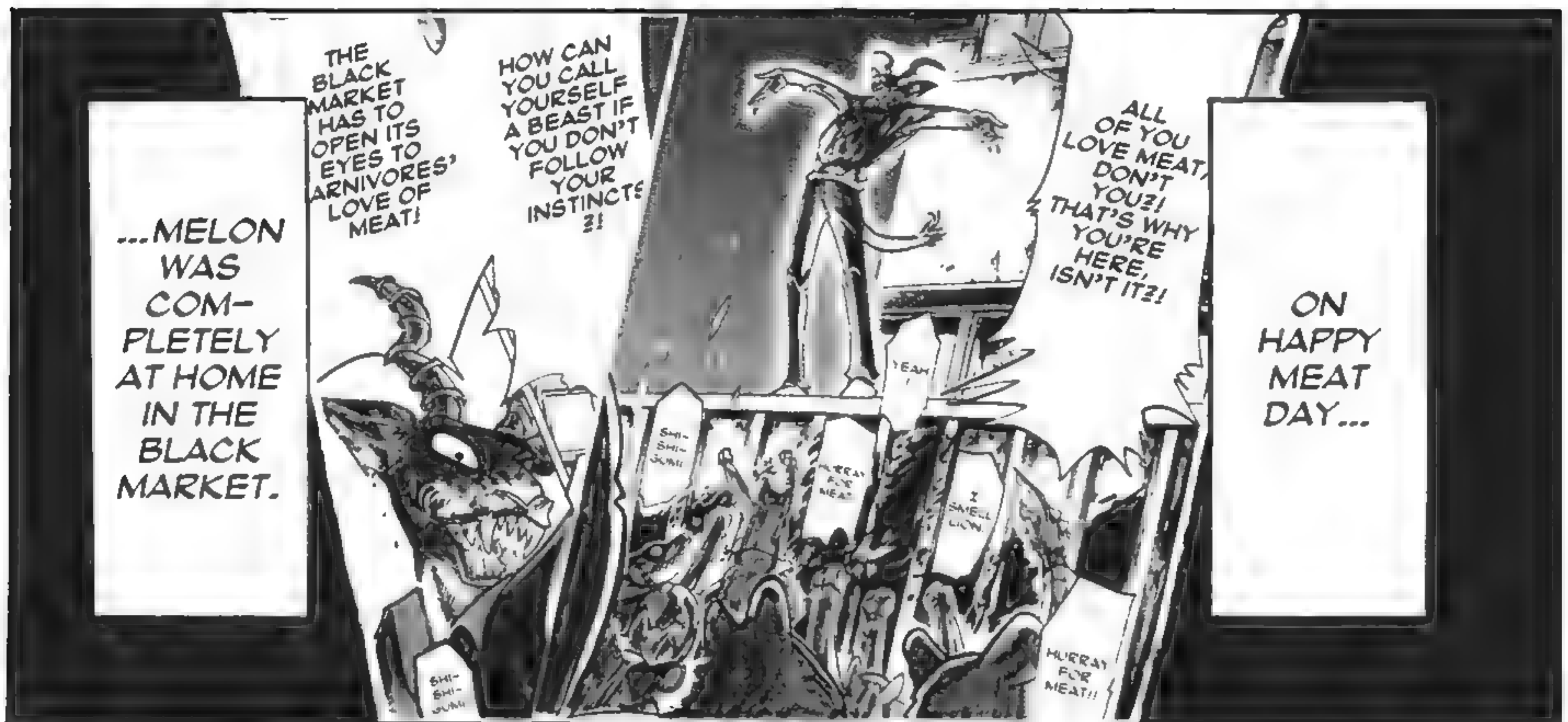
I'M S-
SCARED!

HE
WEIGHS
LESS
THAN 100
POUNDS,
BUT HE'S
TERRIFYING!

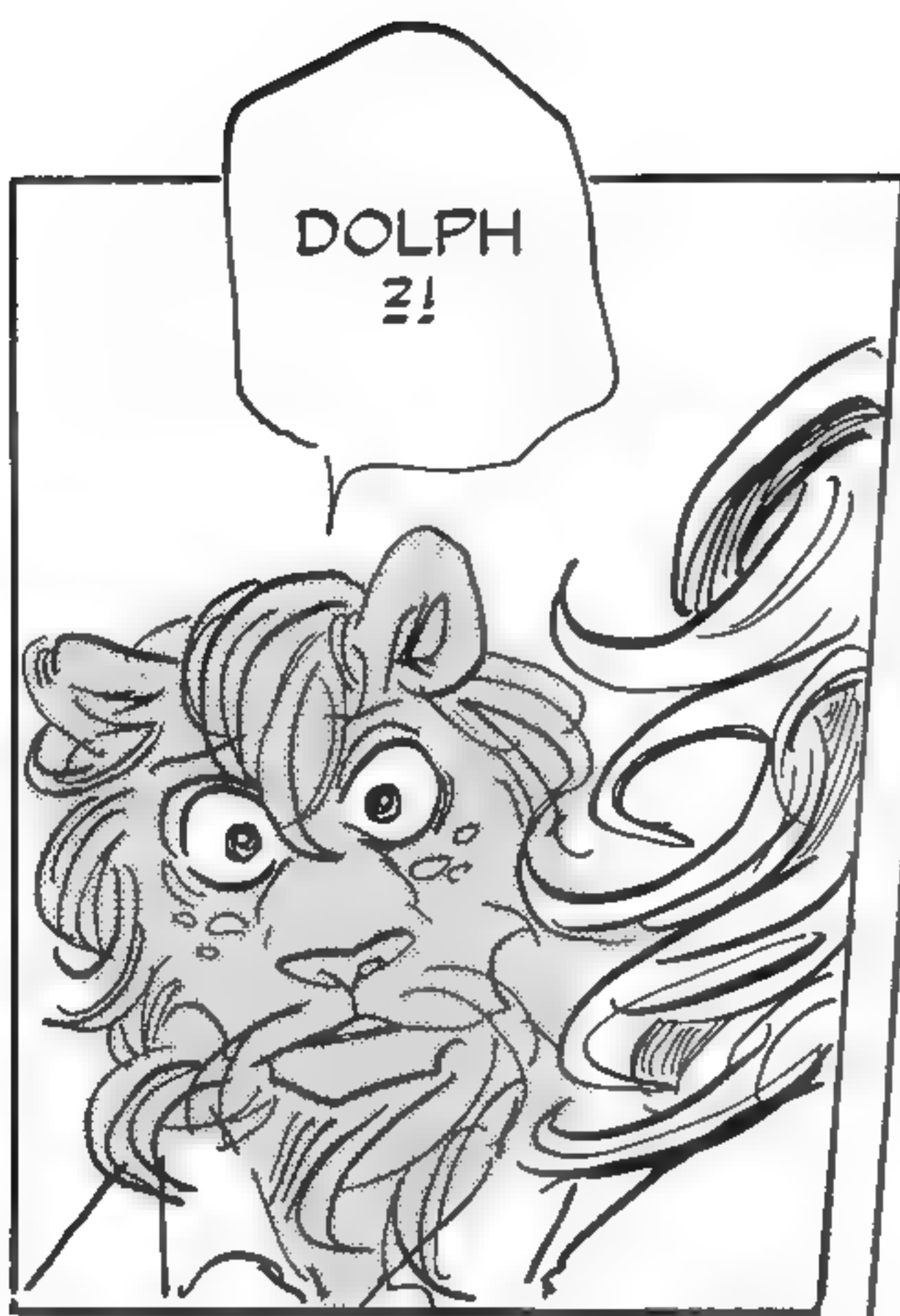


PLAN-
NING TO
OVER-
THROW
ME,
AGATAZ

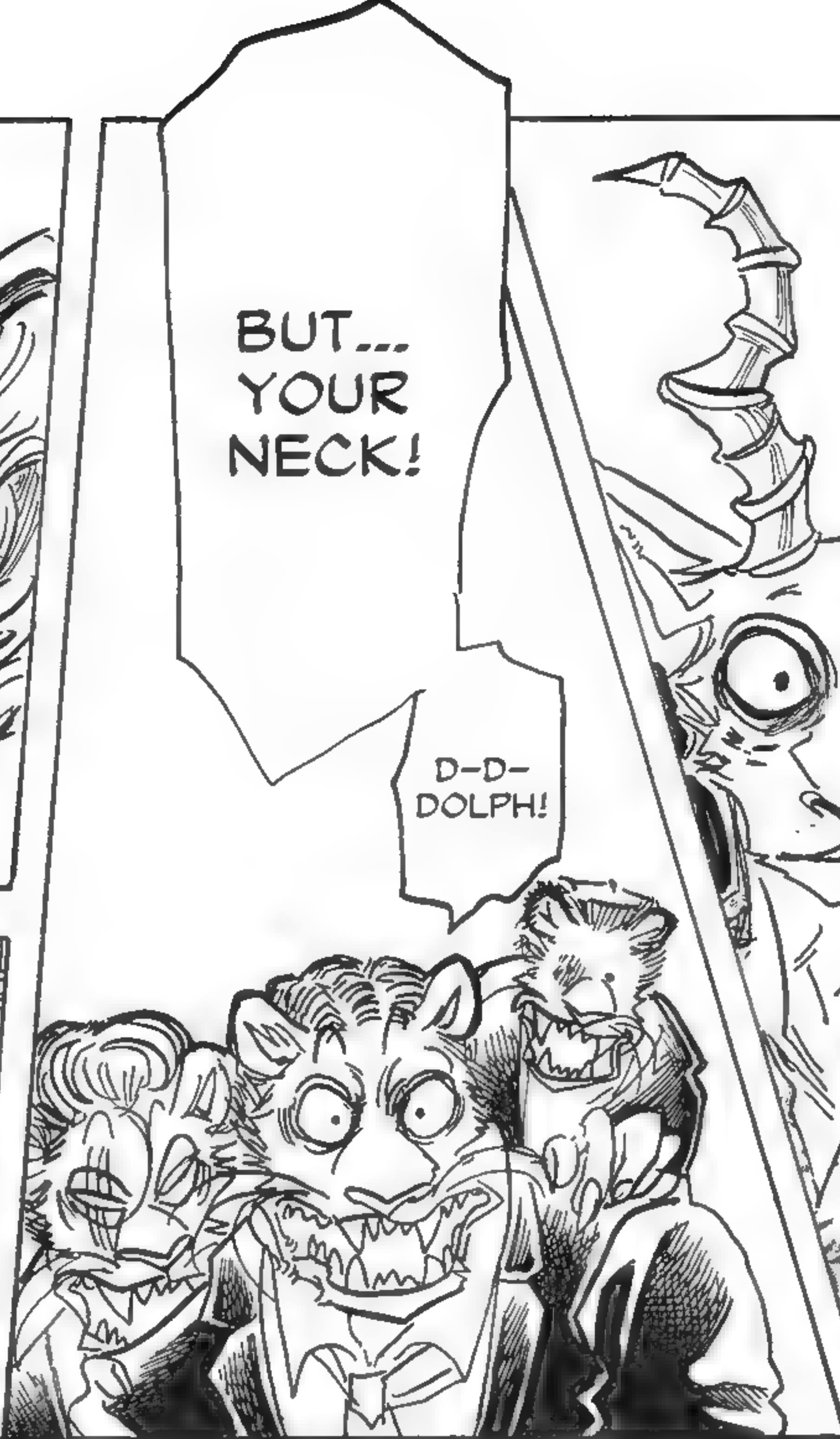
WELL
?!







DOLPH
2!



BUT...
YOUR
NECK!

D-D-
DOLPH!



BOSS...
YOUR
LITTLE
CLAWS
WEREN'T
STRONG
ENOUGH
TO
SLASH MY
JUGULAR.





I'VE
HAD A
LOT OF
TIME TO
THINK.

OUR MANES
AREN'T JUST
FOR SHOW.

YOU'RE
PURE
EVIL...

WHY
DON'T WE
LET BYGONES
BE BYGONES
AND JOIN
FORCES
AGAIN?

I'VE
FIGURED
OUT HOW
TO HANDLE A
PSYCHOPATH
LIKE YOU.

...BUT
WE'RE
THE KING
OF THE
BEASTS.

**"DON'T
SHAVE
OFF
YOUR
MANE!"**

DOLPH...

I'LL USE A
SAW NEXT TIME
TO SEAL OUR
FRIENDSHIP
FOREVER.

I
SLASHED
YOUR
THROAT.
I CAN'T
BELIEVE
YOU SUR-
VIVED.



...BOSS.

THIS MANE
CAN STOP
A SAW OR A
CHAINSAW...

I WON'T
UNTIL WE
BECOME
KING
OF THE
BEASTS,
THE
RULERS
OF THE
BLACK
MARKET,
US LIONS
AND
MELON.

Chapter 164: Just a Single Teardrop from Asura Is Enough





THEY SAID
THIS YEAR'S
CROP WAS
PARTICULARLY
JUICY AND
FLAVORFUL.

HAVE
YOU HEARD?
LAST WEEK,
THE SHOW
FARM TO
TABLE
FEATURED
MELONS.



I'M
HANGING
UP.

I DON'T
HAVE TIME
FOR THIS.

S-SORRY.
JUST MAKING
CONVERSATION!

Beast Apartments corridor (we haven't been here in a while)

MAKING CONVERSATION? THAT'S NOT YOUR STYLE... WHAT'S GOING ON? IS IT SERIOUS?

WELL, I HAVE A FAVOR TO ASK...

UM... AH...

...IN WAYS YOU WOULDN'T IMAGINE.

LISTEN, MELON'S INFLUENCE IS SPREADING OUTSIDE THE BLACK MARKET...

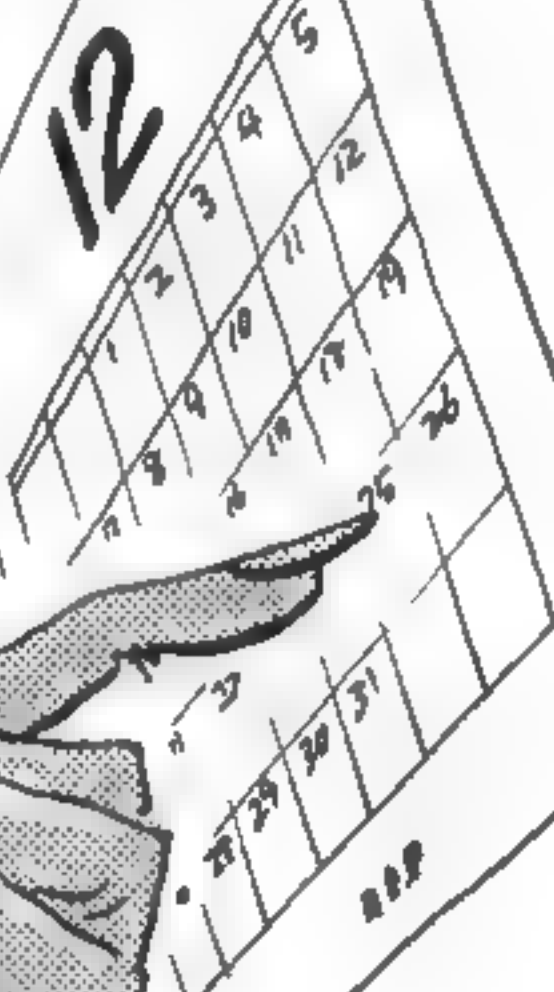
WE DON'T HAVE ANY TIME TO WASTE. WE HAVE TO CAPTURE THAT PSYCHOPATH.

ACTUALLY, THIS IS ABOUT MELON...

Beastars on stage!



Don't monopolize the phone



THE LAST FRIDAY OF NEXT MONTH... DECEMBER 25, I THINK...

...I'M PLANNING TO HAVE MY FINAL SHOWDOWN WITH MELON.

Don't n the



OH,
AND I'M
FIGHTING
HIM ON
THAT
SPECIFIC
DAY
BECAUSE

THE CITY'S
ALREADY
AFFECTED.
I DON'T
WANT THE
VIOLENCE
INSIDE THE
BLACK
MARKET TO
SPREAD
OUTSIDE ITS
CONFINES...
SO, UM...
COULD YOU
PLEASE
GUARD THE
PERIMETER
FOR ME?



...I
THINK
THIS
WEIRD
MELON
FAD
WILL GO
AWAY.

HEY!

HEY.

HEY...

IF I
DEFEAT
AND
CAPTURE
MELON IN
FRONT
OF ALL
THOSE
CARNI-
VORES...

...THE
LAST
FRIDAY
OF
EVERY
MONTH
IS HAPPY
MEAT
DAY,
WHICH IS
WHEN
TURF
WARS
ARE
FOUGHT
IN THE
BLACK
MARKET.





WHAT DO
YOU WANT?
IF YOU
CAME TO
BLAME ME,
YOU'RE
WASTING
YOUR TIME.

WHATEVER
TROUBLE
LEGOSHI'S
GOTTEN
HIMSELF
INTO THIS
TIME,
I'M NOT
RESPON-
SIBLE!

YAH-
YA.

SORRY
TO DROP
BY UNAN-
NOUNCED.

HEY...
HAVE YOU...



...LOST
WEIGHT?
ARE YOU
EATING
ENOUGH?



DON'T WORRY.
REPTILES ARE
INTROVERTS.
THEY MIND THEIR
OWN BUSINESS.
NOBODY
CARES.

I'M GLAD
WE'RE EATING
IN A PRIVATE
ROOM.
I THOUGHT
THIS PLACE
ONLY CATERED
TO KOMODO
DRAGONS
THOUGH...

THE
VEGGIES
ARE SOFT
NOW!
LET'S EAT!

HA HA...
MAYBE
THAT'S WHY
I MARRIED A
WOLF.
OF COURSE,
WE COULDN'T
LEGALLY
MARRY,
BUT...YOU
KNOW.

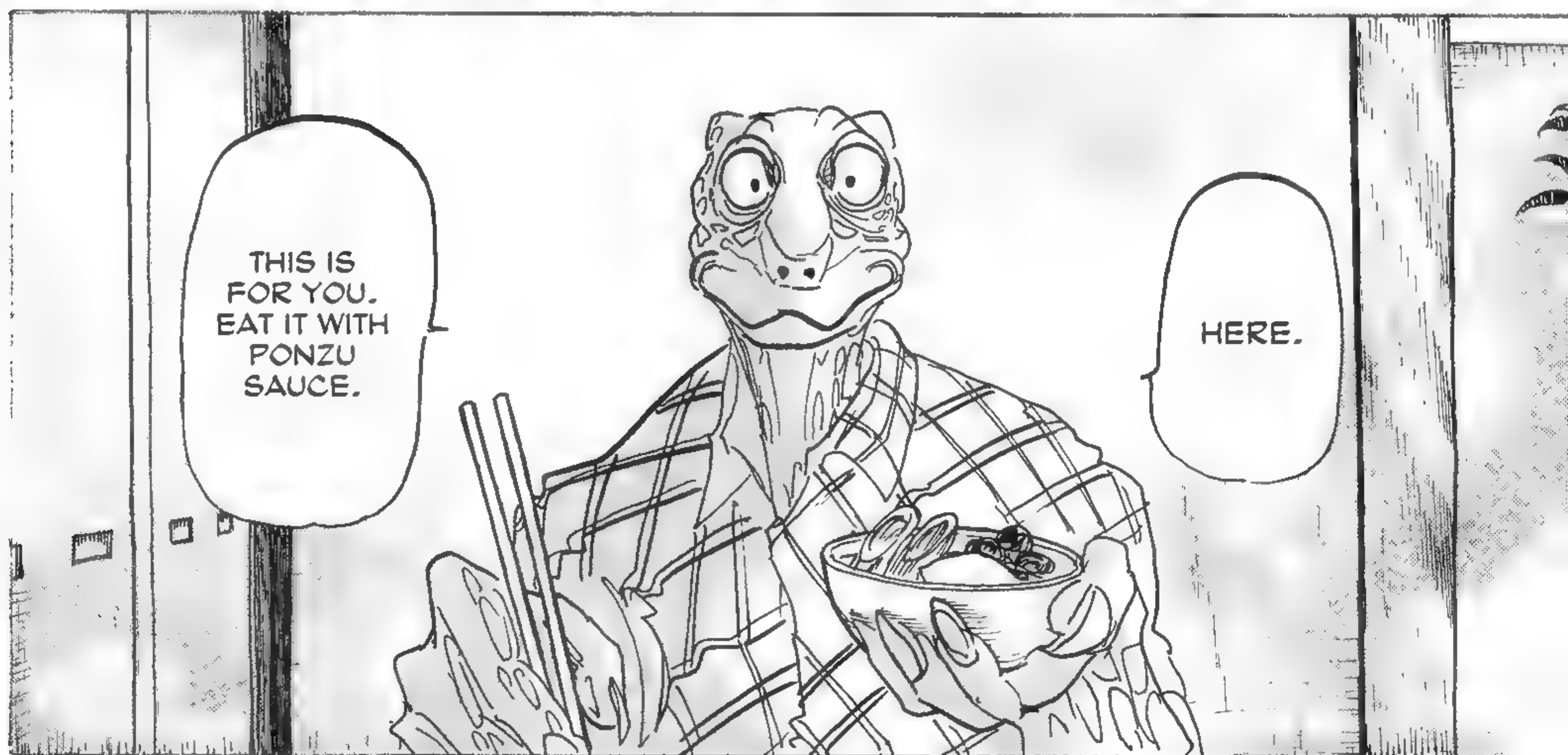
REPTILES
ARE
INTROVERTS?
THEY MIND
THEIR OWN
BUSINESS?
HAVE
YOU MET
YOURSELF?!



I WANT TO
FINISH THE
HOT POT OFF
WITH SOME
RICE PORRIDGE,
SO LET'S
LEAVE A LOT
OF BROTH.

I
LEARNED
THAT WHEN
LEGOSHI
WAS YOUNG,
BECAUSE
HE KEPT
BURNING
HIS
TONGUE.

TOFU GETS
HOTTER ON THE
INSIDE THAN
THE OUTSIDE.
IF YOU BREAK
IT UP LIKE THIS,
IT COOLS
DOWN AND THE
TEMPERATURE
IS JUST RIGHT.



THIS IS
FOR YOU.
EAT IT WITH
PONZU
SAUCE.

HERE.



WE ATE
TOGETHER
ALL THE
TIME WHEN
WE WERE
YOUNG.
BACK
THEN,
TOO...

THIS
BRINGS
BACK
MEMO-
RIES.



I CAN
SERVE
MYSELF,
YOU
KNOW.

UH...
THANKS...



I HAD
NO IDEA
SPECIALIZED
RESTAURANTS
LIKE THIS
EXISTED.

THE
CHOPSTICKS
HERE HAVE
A NONSTICK
COATING,
SO THEY'RE
POISON
PROOF.



I NEVER
REALIZED
HOW ISOLATED
YOUR POISON
MAKES YOU.

I'M
SORRY.

Looks
great!

Here
you
go...

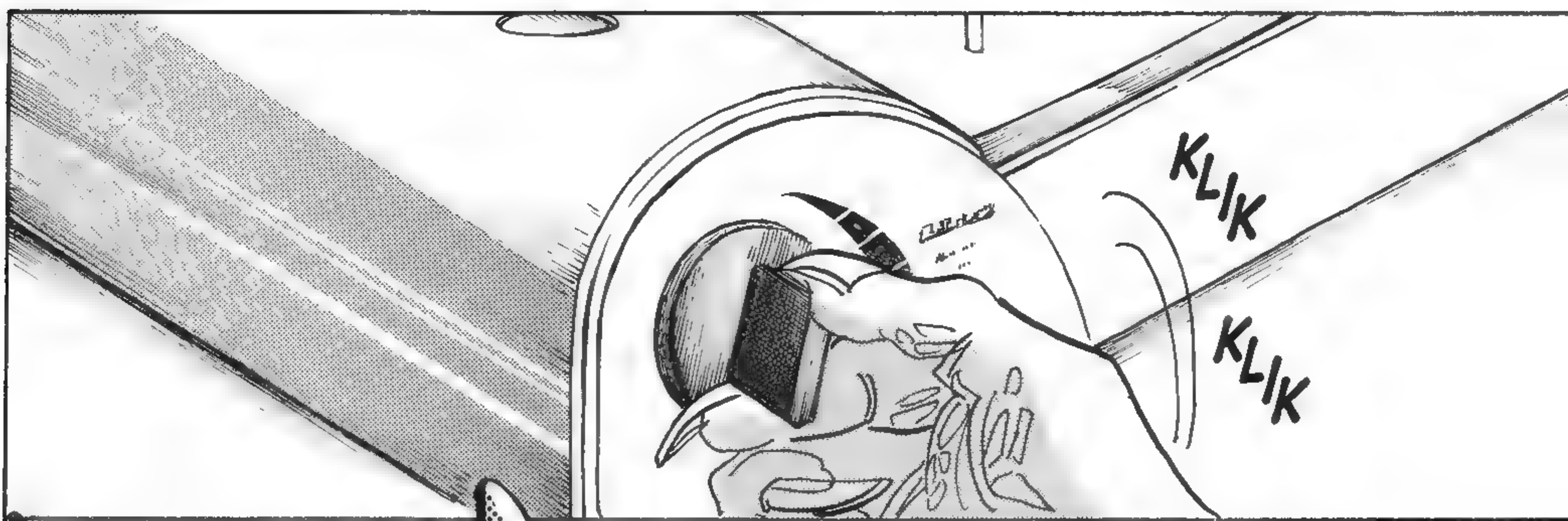
Satao

...AND
STOOD A
MENU UP
BETWEEN
US.

HE USED
LONG
CHOP-
STICKS TO
SERVE
ME...

...GOSHA
WAS
ALWAYS
CAREFUL
SO THE
POISON IN
HIS MOUTH
WOULDN'T
CONTAMI-
NATE MY
FOOD.





KLIK
KLIK



NOTHING.

THE
FOOD HERE
IS GOOD,
ISN'T IT?



WHAT
DID YOU
SAY?

WHAT
WAS THAT?
I COULDN'T
HEAR YOU
OVER THE
SOUND OF THE
WATER
BOIL-
ING.



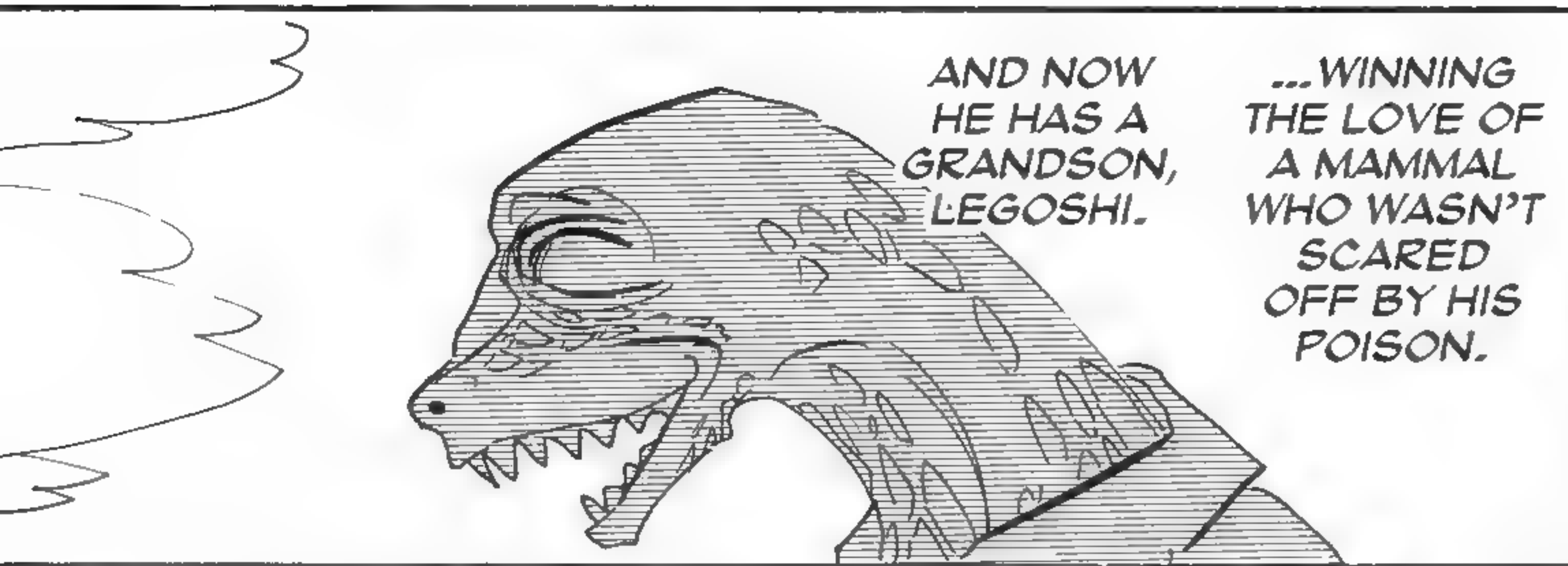
HE
LOOKS
HAPPY.

HIS
POISON
IS AS
LETHAL
AS EVER,
BUT HE'S
MEL-
LOWED
WITH
AGE.



CHMP
CHMP

OF COURSE,
YOU PROBABLY
EAT GOURMET
FOOD ALL THE
TIME, BUT
SOMETIMES A
SIMPLE MEAL
LIKE THIS HITS
THE SPOT,
DOESN'T IT?



AND NOW
HE HAS A
GRANDSON,
LEGOSHI.

...WINNING
THE LOVE OF
A MAMMAL
WHO WASN'T
SCARED
OFF BY HIS
POISON.

I GUESS HE
GOT LUCKY...

...WAS THE
RIGHT ONE
AFTER ALL.

IT SEEMS
THE PATH HE
CHOSE INSTEAD
OF BECOMING
A BEASTAR
WITH ME...



I'M NOT
GOING TO
TELL HIM
THAT I JUST
GOT A PHONE
CALL FROM
LEGOSHI.

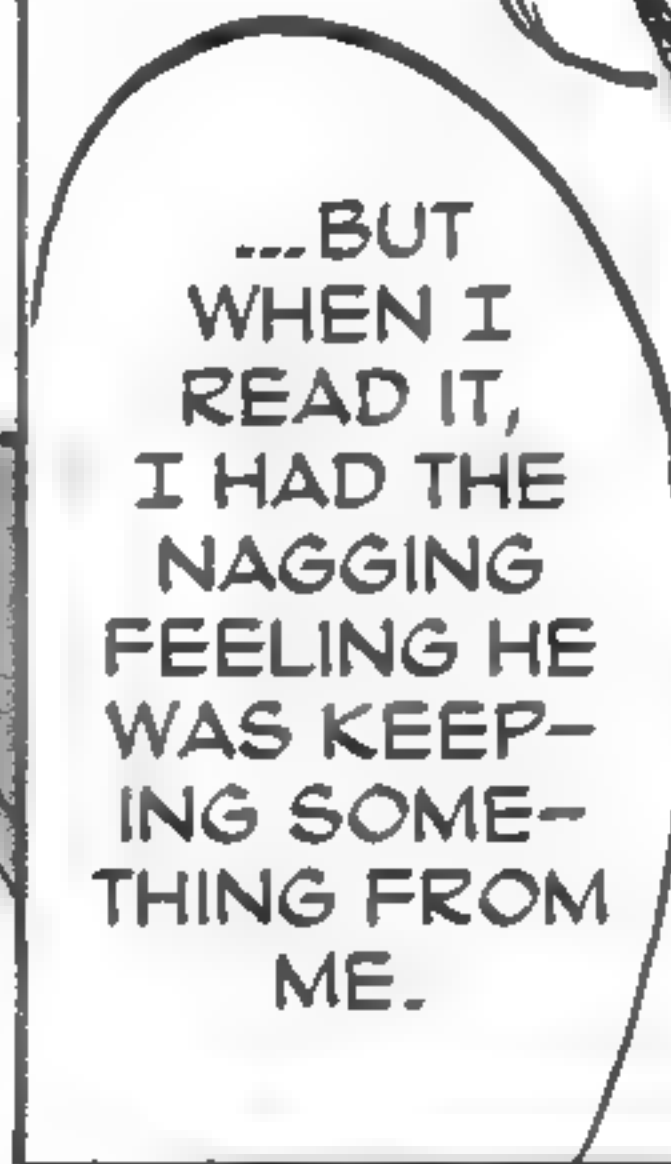
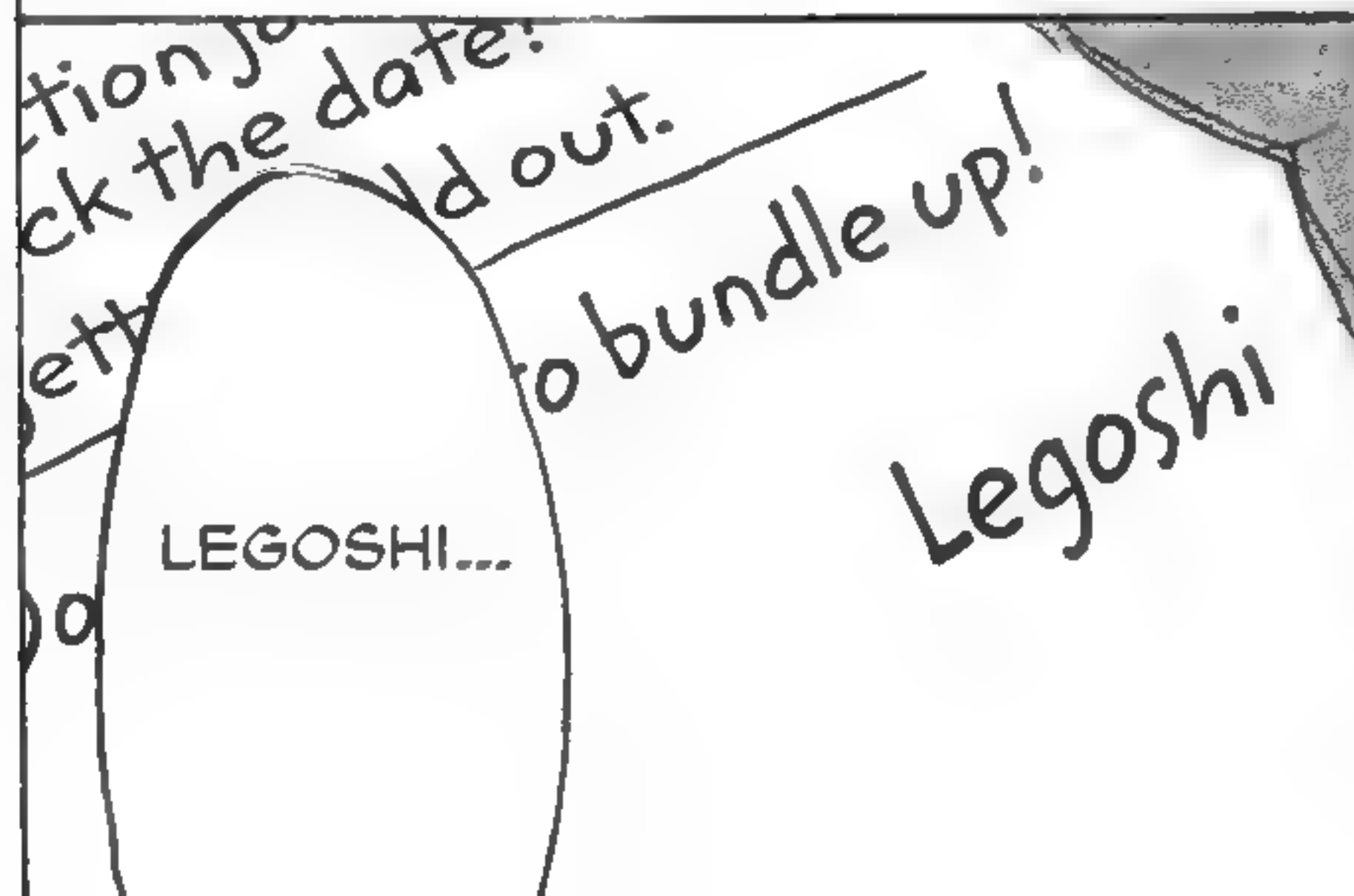
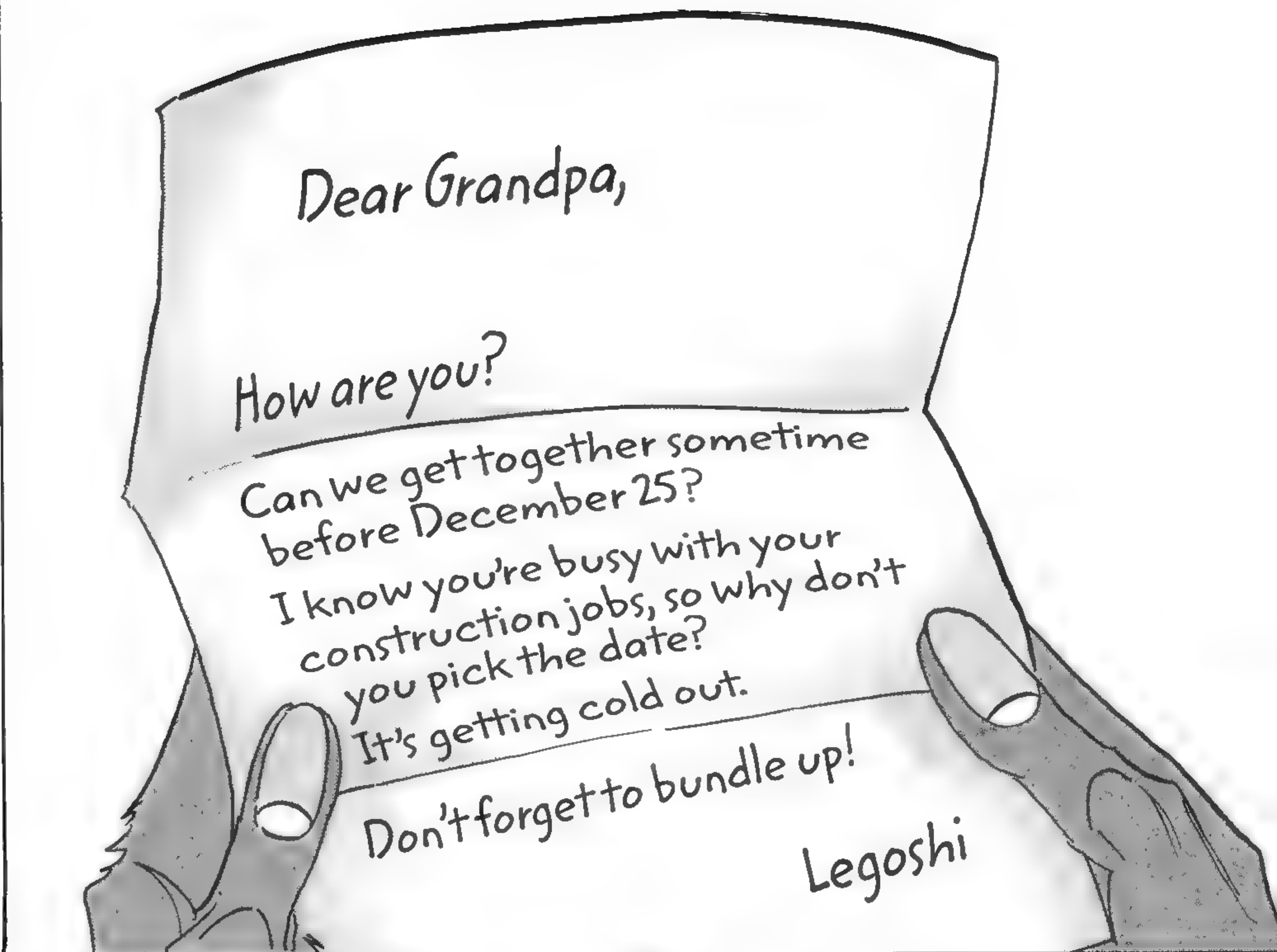
OH,
REALLY?
AND
WHAT DID
YOUR
DARLING
GRAND-
SON
HAVE TO
SAY?

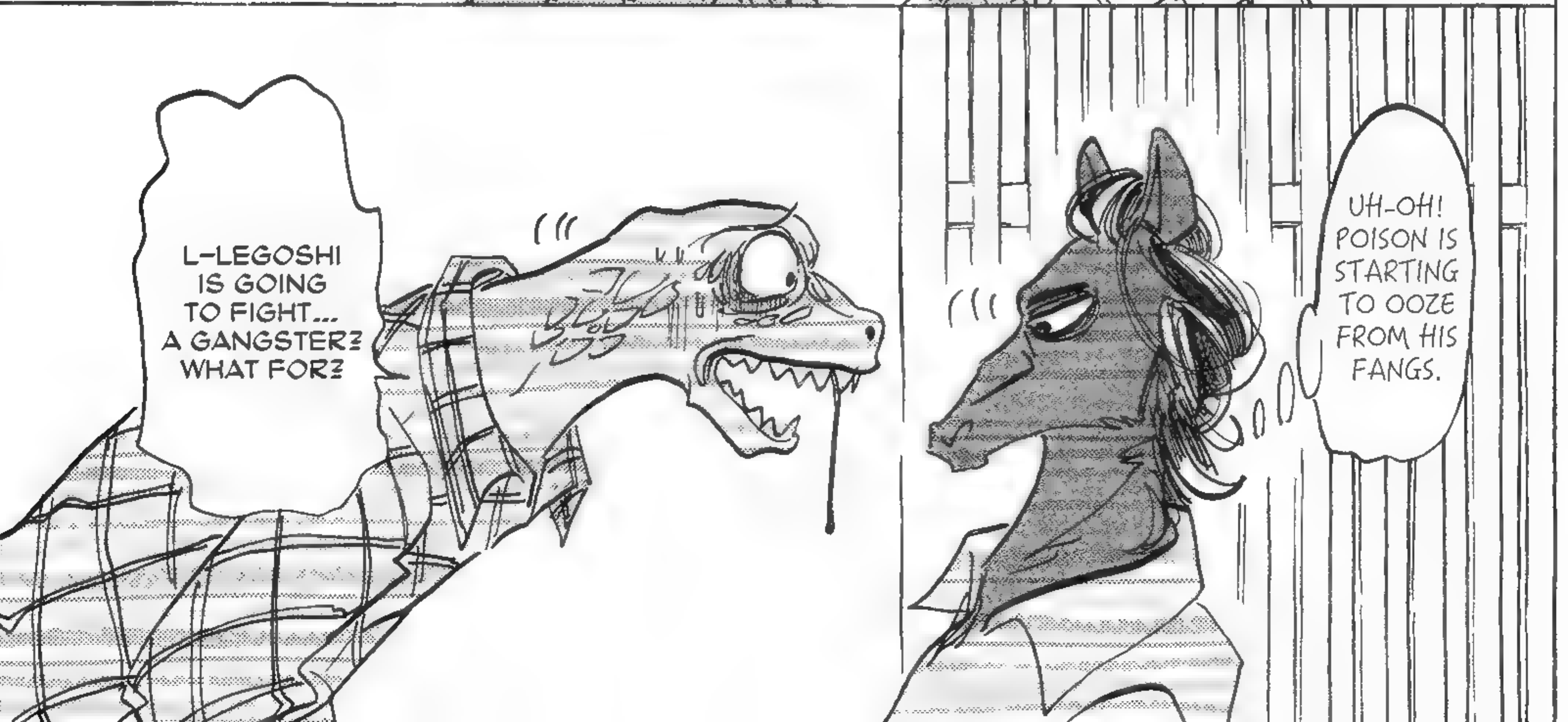
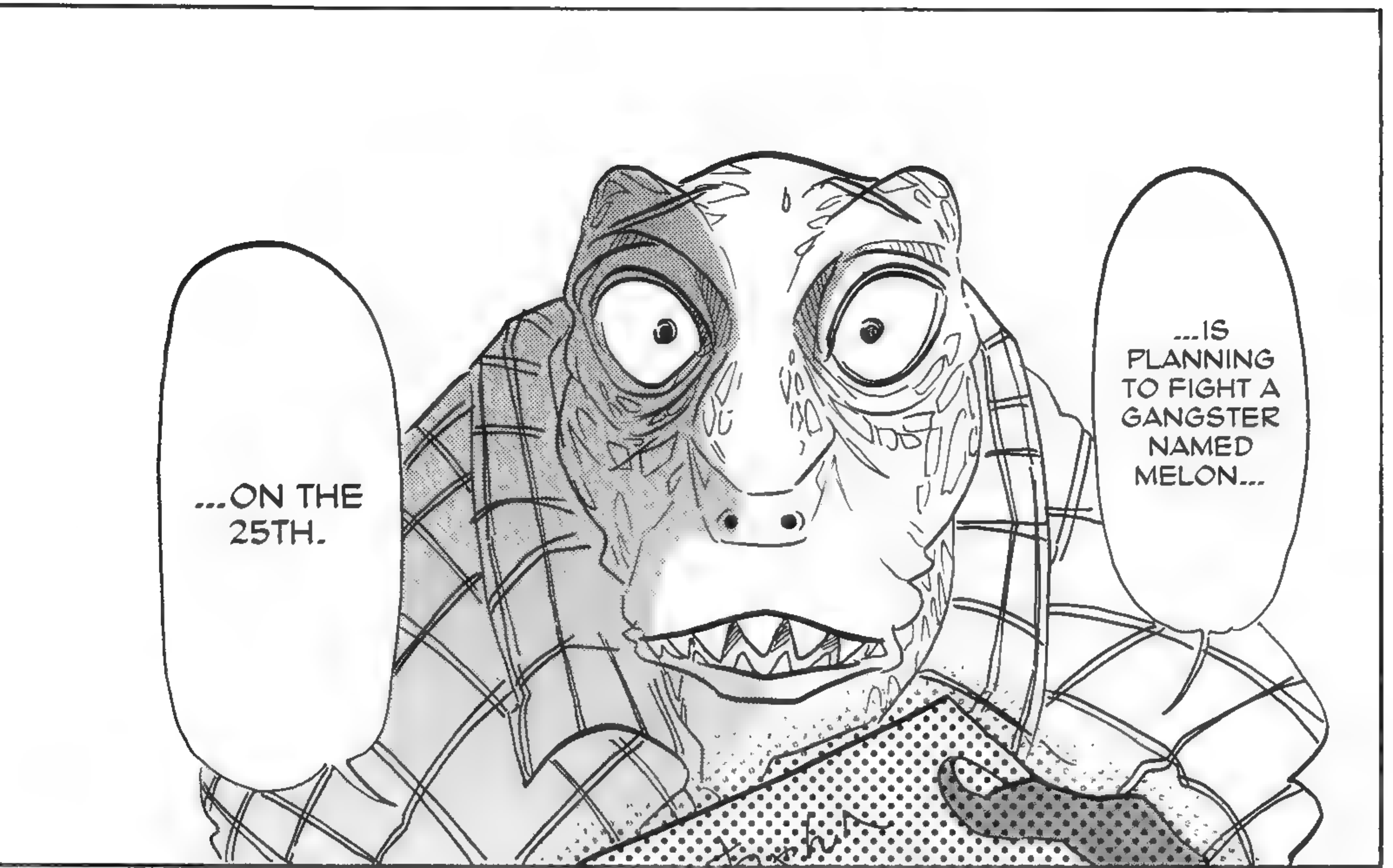
...GOT A
STRANGE
LETTER
FROM
LEGOSHI
...

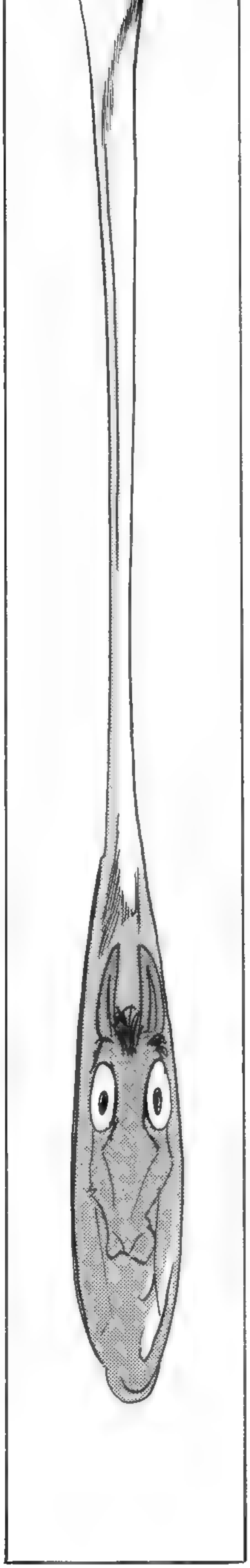
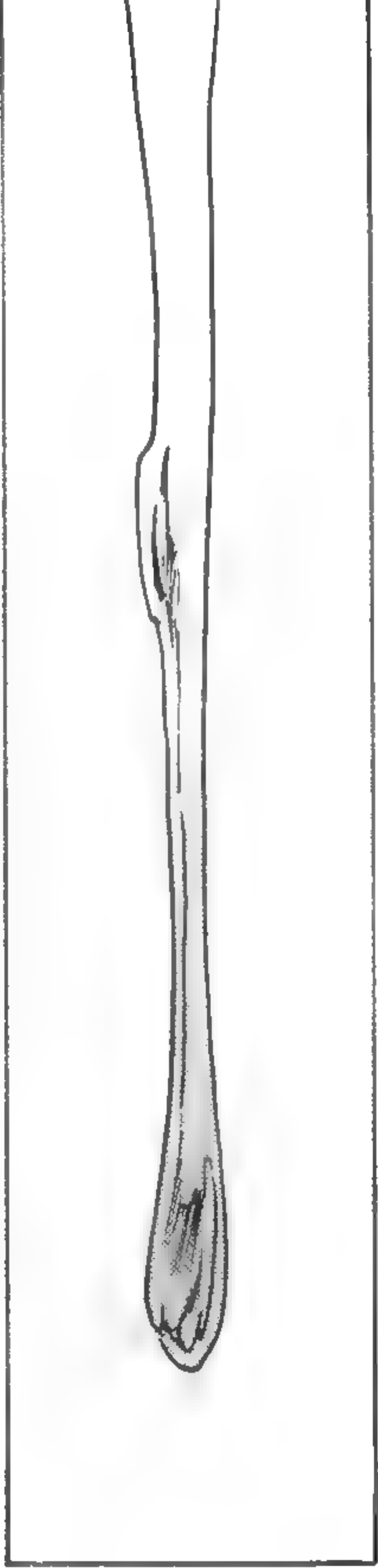
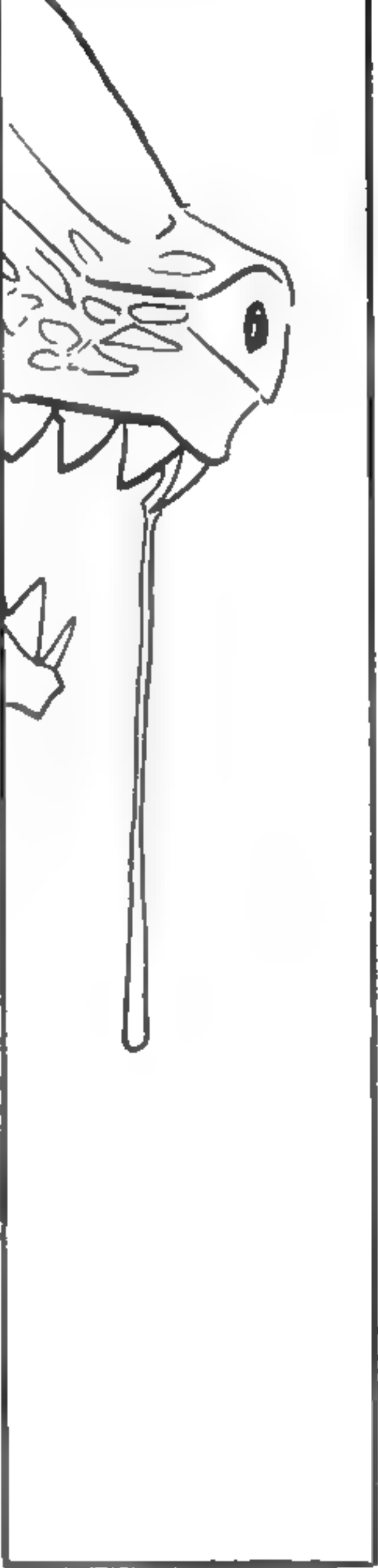
W-WELL,
I...

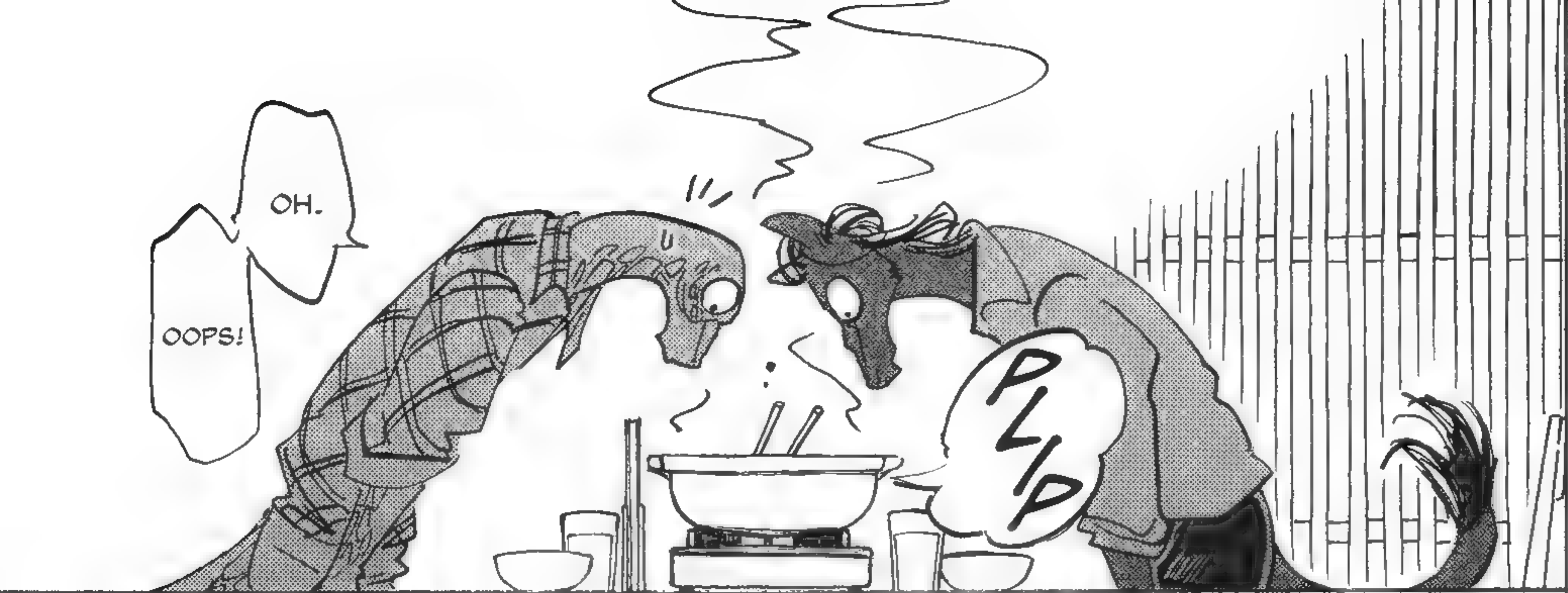
SO...
WHY DID
YOU COME
TO SEE
ME?





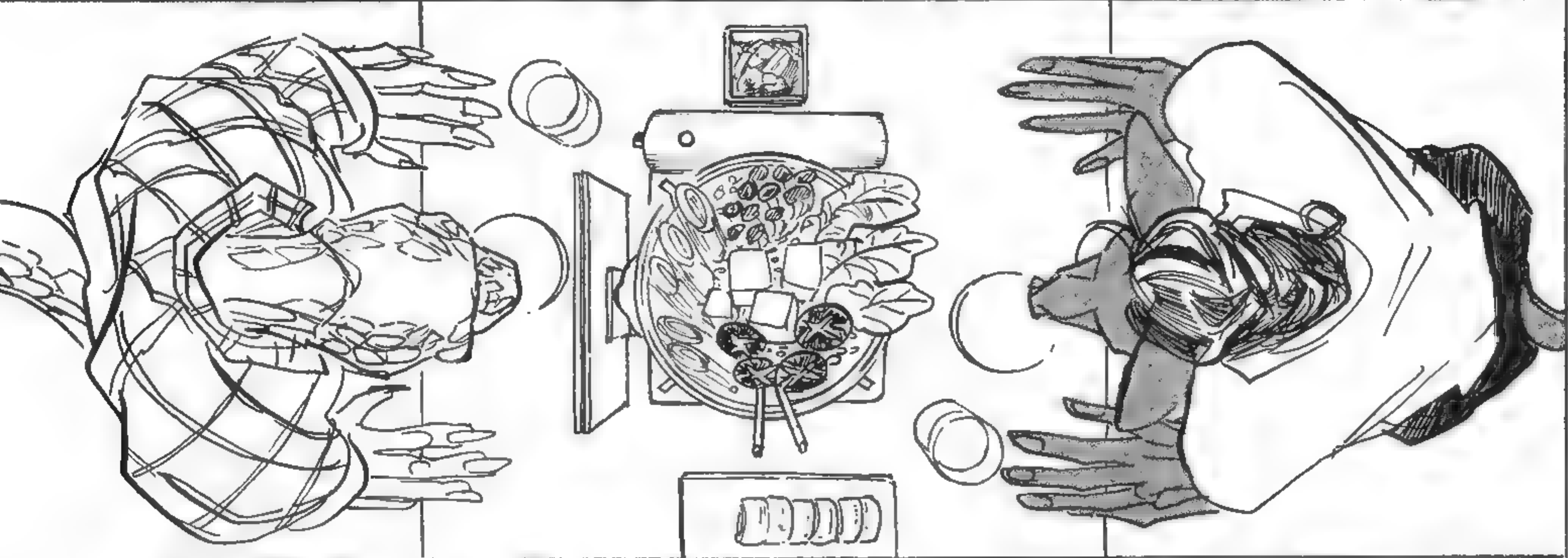




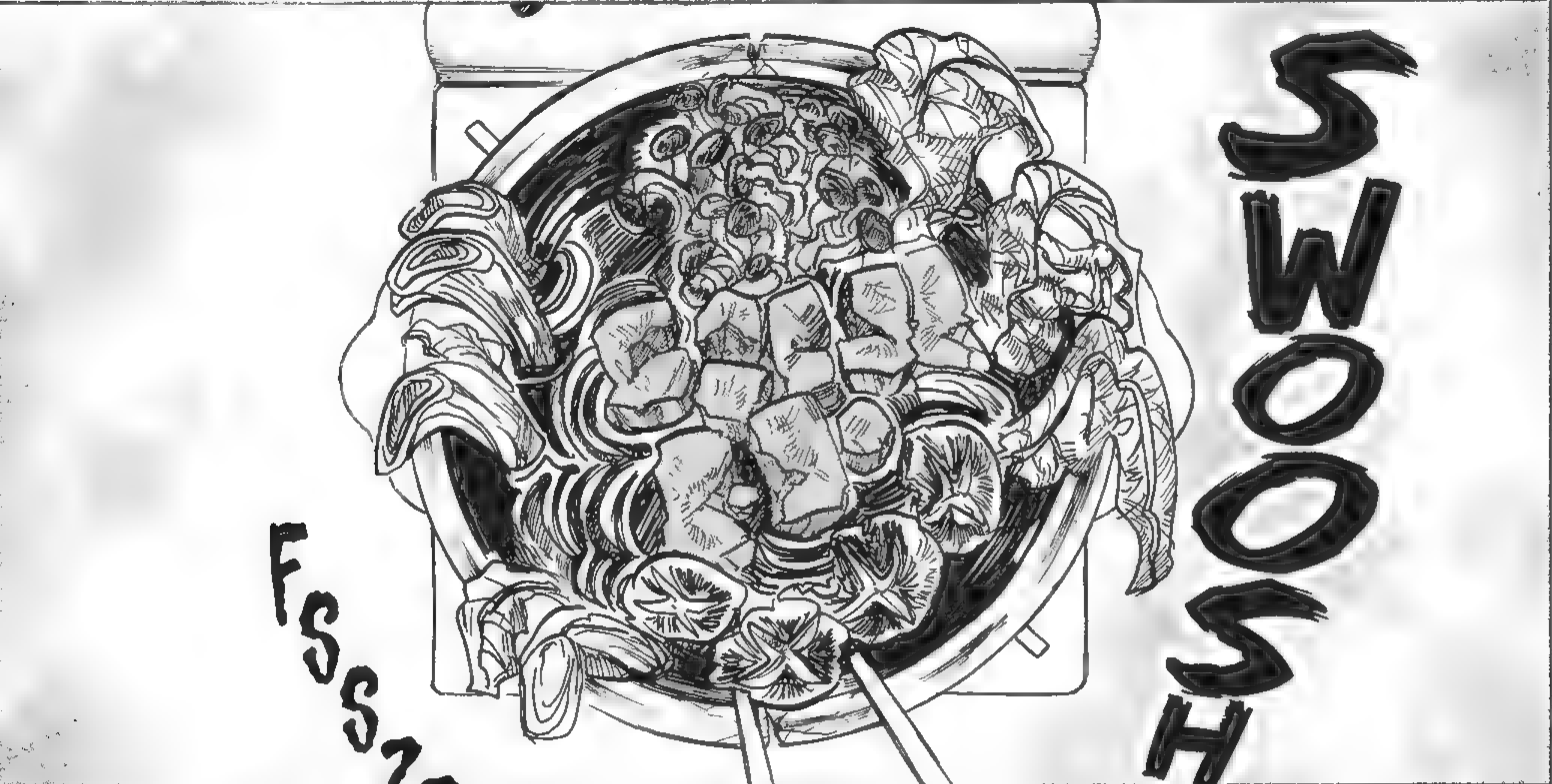


OH.
OOPS!

PLIP

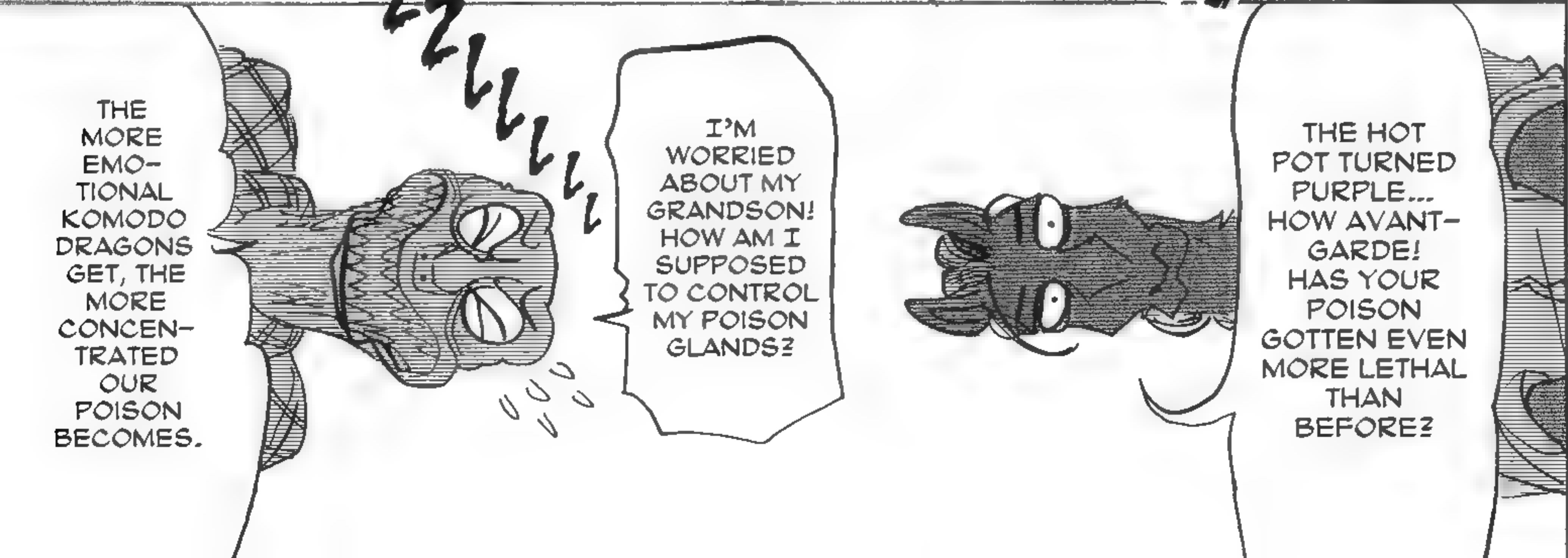


PLIP



SWOOSH

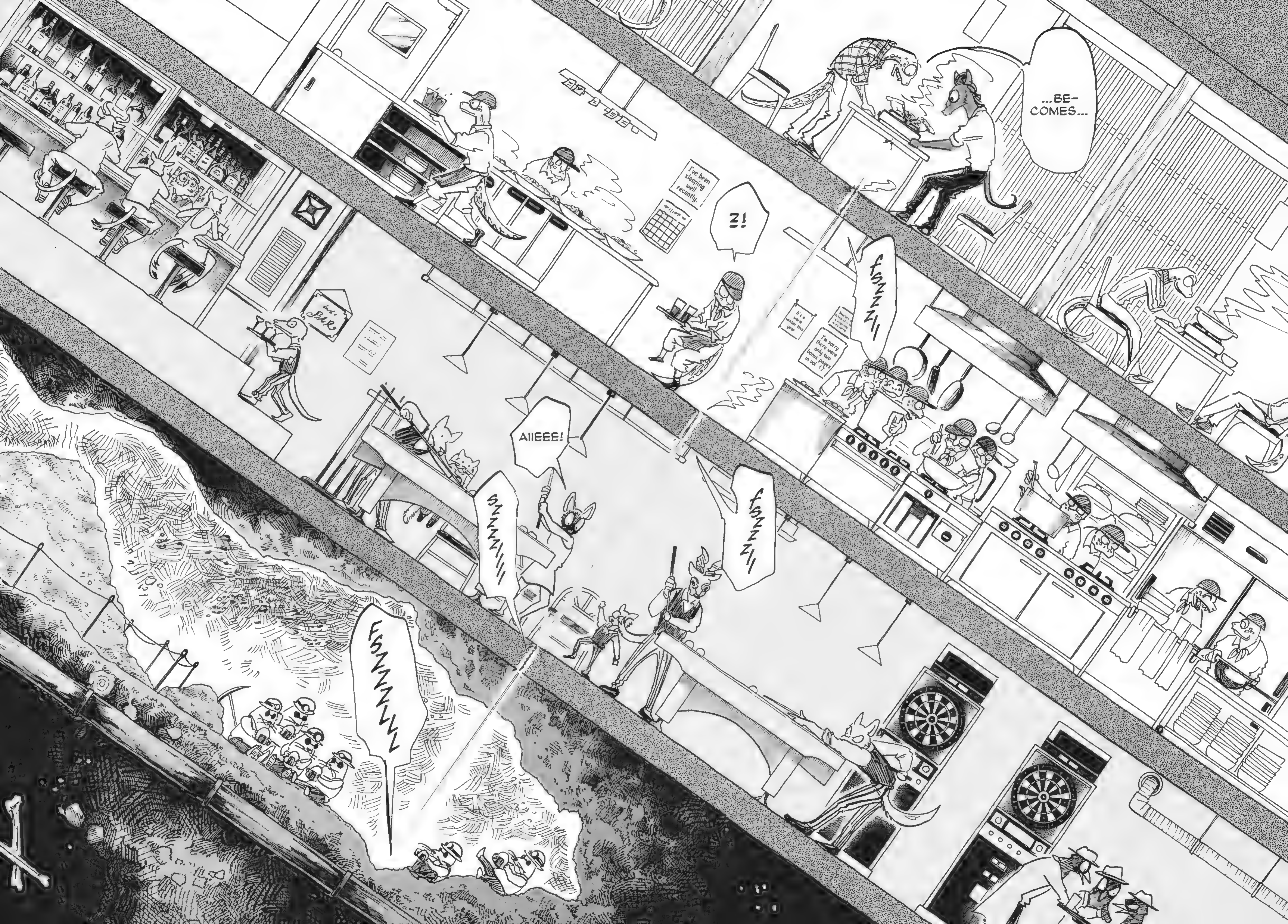
FSSZZZZ



THE MORE EMOTIONAL KOMODO DRAGONS GET, THE MORE CONCENTRATED OUR POISON BECOMES.

I'M WORRIED ABOUT MY GRANDSON! HOW AM I SUPPOSED TO CONTROL MY POISON GLANDS?

THE HOT POT TURNED PURPLE... HOW AVANT-GARDE! HAS YOUR POISON GOTTEN EVEN MORE LETHAL THAN BEFORE?



...BE-
COMES...

I've been
sleeping
well
recently.

z!

fzzzz!

It's a
whole
new
year.
I'm sorry
there were
only two
bonus pages
in vol. 1.

AIIEEE!

snzzzz!

fzzzz!

fzzzzzz!







I'M NO
ORDINARY
GRANDPA
ROOTING FOR
HIS GRANDSON.
I'M TOO
DANGEROUS.
I DON'T WANT
TO RISK
HURTING HIM
WITH MY LETHAL
POISON.



SAVES
US THE
TROUBLE
OF RE-
MOVING
IT!

THE
DRAINAGE
PIPE IS
DISSOLVING.

FSNN!!



TRUE, IF
YOU WENT
BERSERK AND
DISINTEGRATED
THE NEIGHBOR-
HOOD, IT WOULD
COST THE CITY
WORKS DEPART-
MENT A LOT IN
REPAIRS...

WANT TO
GO SOME-
WHERE
ELSE?

Someplace
a little more
solidly built...

N
O
D



Chapter 165: The Answer to Chapter 65 Equals Error



THE END OF
DECEMBER IS
COMING UP.
I'M GOING TO
TRAIN UNDER
KYU TO
PREPARE FOR
MY FINAL
BATTLE WITH
MELON.

OUR
SHOWDOWN
WITH RIZ WAS
AT THE END OF
LAST YEAR.
A YEAR LATER,
AND HERE
WE ARE
AGAIN!

HUH?
YOU
DON'T
SEEM
VERY
ENTHUSI-
ASTIC.

What's
wrong?
Why're
you
looking
at me like
that?



I JUST WANT YOU TO SUPPORT ME ON THE BIG DAY.

THAT'S NOT WHY! ALTHOUGH WE DO HAVE SOME THINGS IN COMMON THAT I NEVER WOULD HAVE EXPECTED...

WOW... YOU'VE JUST MET KYU, BUT SHE'S ALREADY STOLEN YOUR HEART.



SORRY. I SHOULDN'T HAVE SAID THAT.



I'M NOT YOUR EMERGENCY RATIONS! ARE YOU PLANNING TO EAT MY **LEFT LEG** IF YOU'RE LOSING?!



UM... I GUESS I JUST ASSUMED WE WERE GOING TO FIGHT HIM TOGETHER.

KNOW WHAT?
YOU'VE HAD LEAVES
STUCK TO YOUR EAR
THE ENTIRE
DAY!

HUH
?!

SKRTCH
SKRTCH
SKRTCH

WHAT?
NO ONE'S
EVER
SAID
THAT BE-
FORE...

KEEP THESE
LEAVES, AND
WHENEVER YOU
LOOK AT THEM,
REMEMBER WHAT
I JUST TOLD YOU.

I PROMISE,
I'LL KEEP THEM.
SO...NOW WILL
YOU PLEASE BE
THERE WHEN I
FIGHT MELON?

WHEN YOU
FOCUS ON A
GOAL, YOU
CHARGE
AHEAD
WITHOUT
REGARD FOR
THE OTHER
BEASTS IN
YOUR LIFE.
YOU DON'T
EVEN
CONSIDER
YOUR
OWN WELL-
BEING!
CAN'T
YOU SEE
THAT?

TWO
LEAVES IN
YOUR FUR.
TWO! THAT
INDICATES
THE STATE
OF MIND
YOU'RE
IN.



REAL
LIFE
ISN'T
THAT
EASY.

THERE'S
NO WAY
LEGOSHI
AND I CAN
DEFEAT
MELON.



HE DIDN'T
UNDERSTAND A
WORD I SAID!

SIGH



Speak-
ing of
which...

FATHER AND
I HAVEN'T
PATCHED THINGS
UP. HOW CAN
I TELL HIM I'M
SORRY?

Sigh...



...LOUIS!

PLEASE
HURRY...



IS
FATHER
IN HIS
STUDY?

YEP.
HELLO,
YUTA.

LOUIS,
YOU'RE
HOME!



...HAD A
TRAFFIC
ACCIDENT
THIS
MORNING!

MASTER
OGMA...



...AT
THE
HOSPI-
TAL!

HE'S
WAITING
FOR
YOU...



...

b-bmp
b-bmp
b-bmp



I'M TOLD
YOU'VE
LEARNED
A LOT OF
WORDS
ALREADY.
SAY SOME-
THING.

FATHER
...



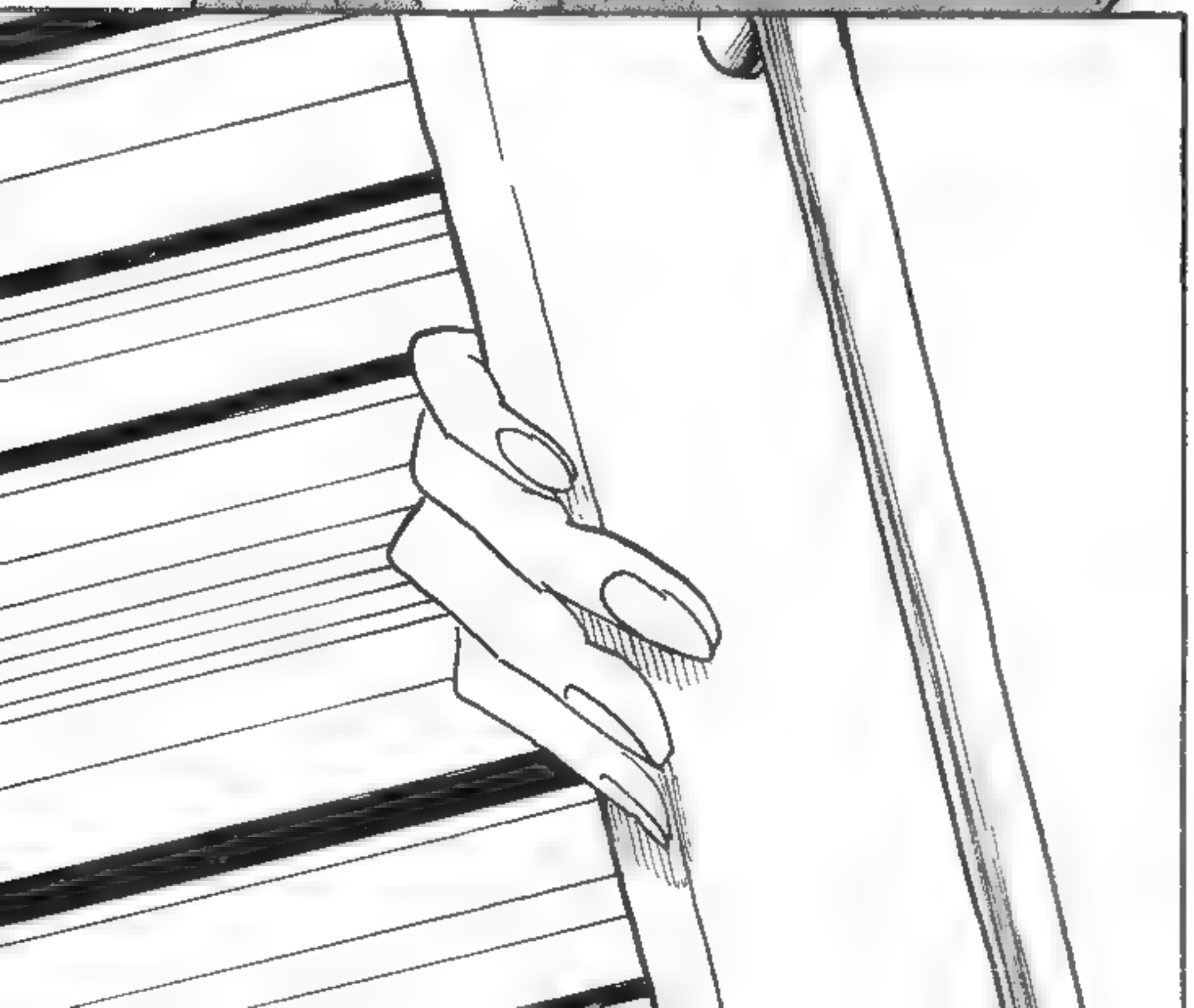


ARGH!
I CAN'T RUN
AS FAST AS
I USED TO
WITH THIS
PROS-
THETIC
LEG!



FATHER!
FATHER!

I'M
NOT A
GOOD
SON,
BUT
PLEASE
WAIT
FOR
ME.

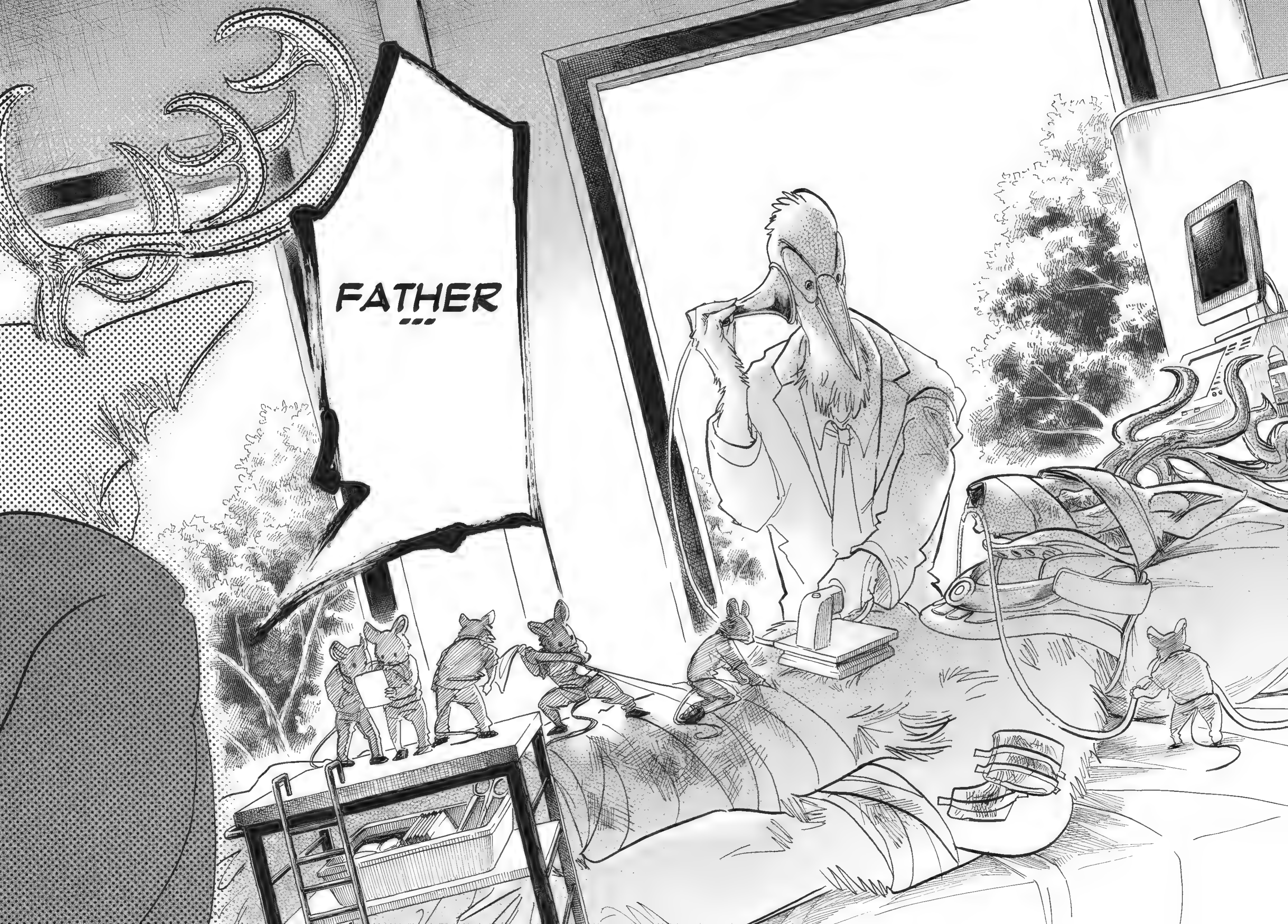


HE WAS ON HIS WAY
TO A BUSINESS MEETING
WHEN A CAR CAME OUT
OF NOWHERE AND
CRASHED INTO HIS.

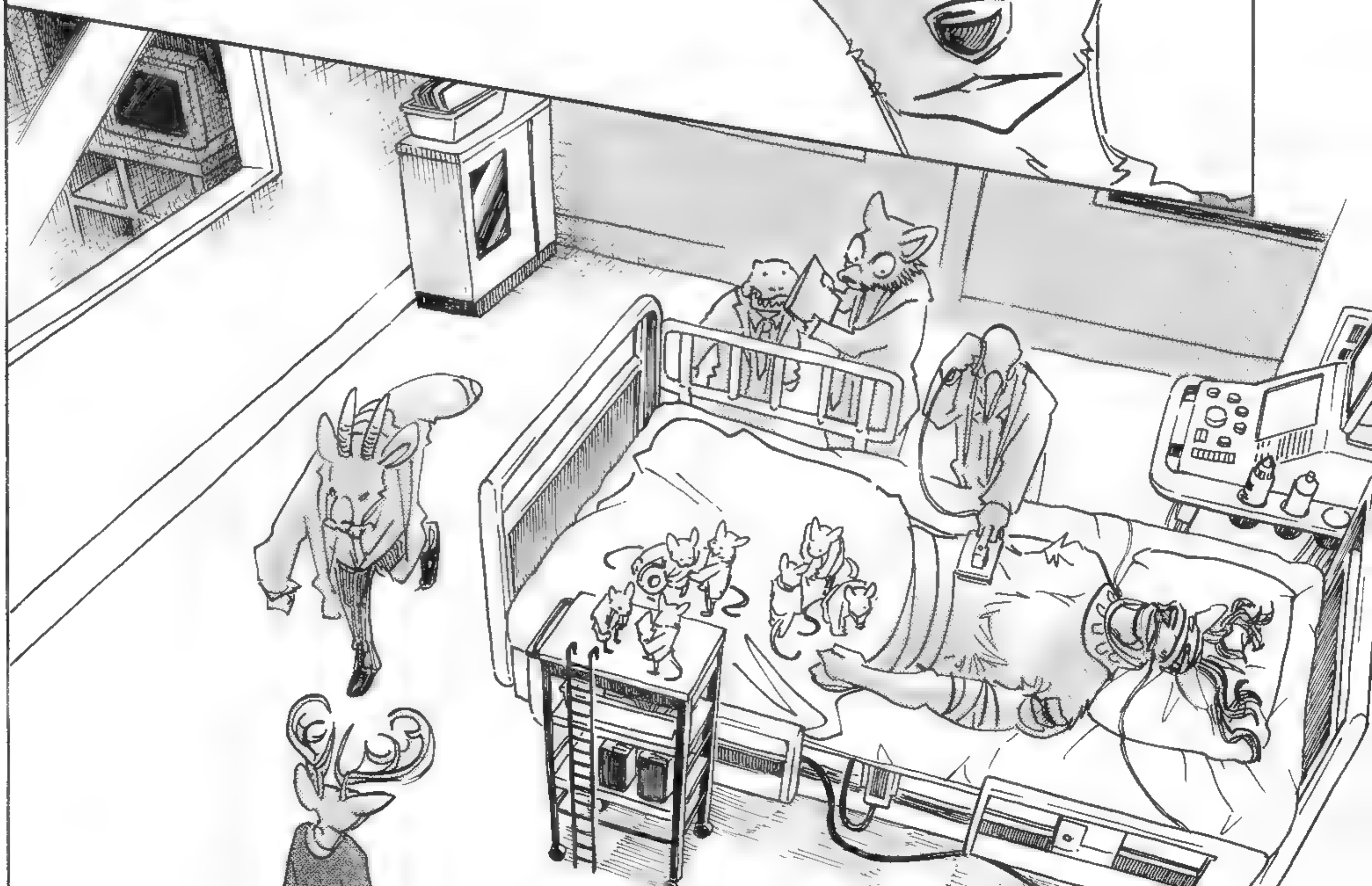
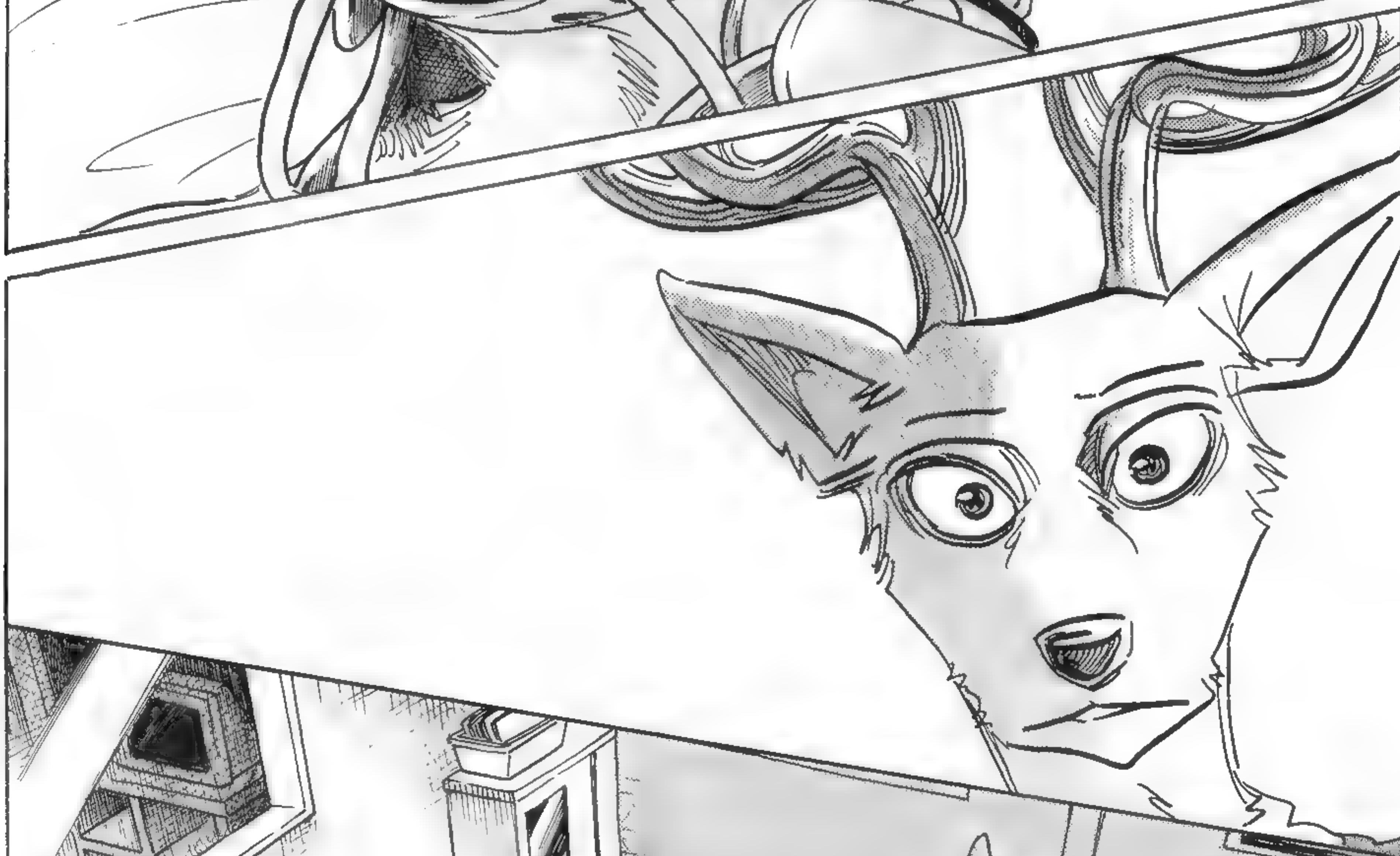
THE DRIVER WAS
KILLED INSTANTLY.
MASTER OGMA IS IN
CRITICAL CONDITION.

PLEASE HURRY,
LOUIS!

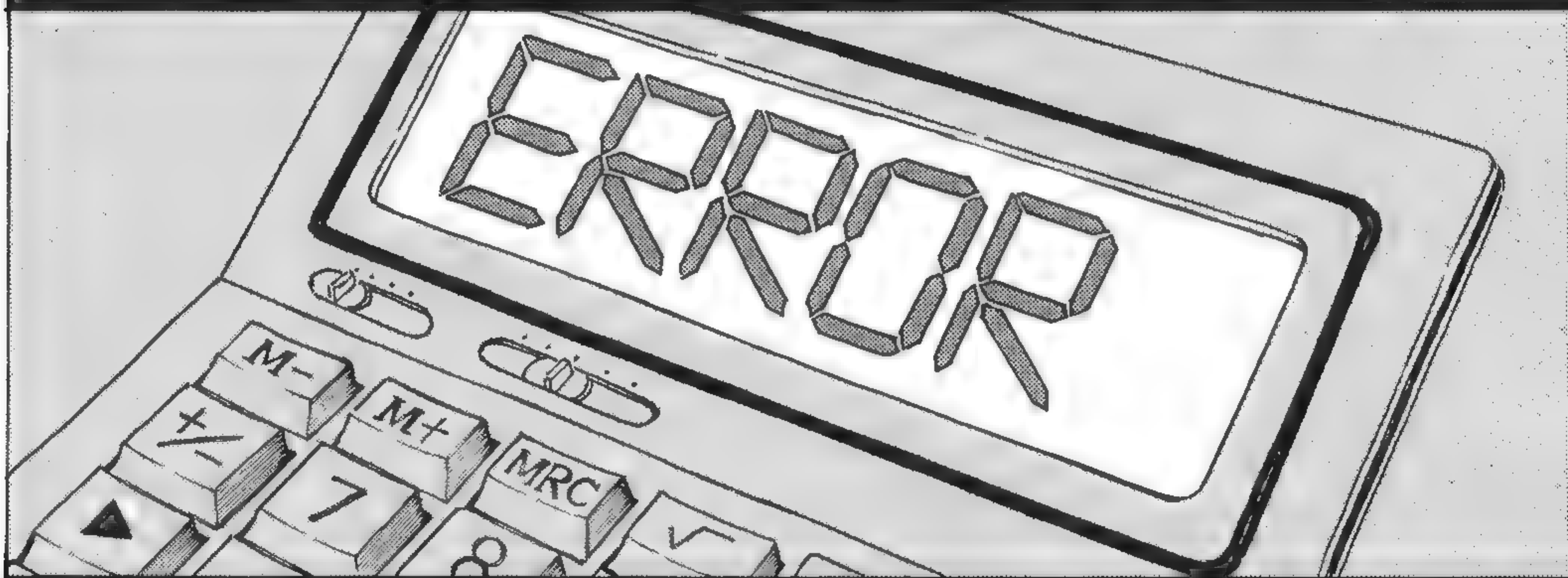




FATHER









MY
RELATIONSHIPS...
WERE ALL
TRANSACTIONAL...

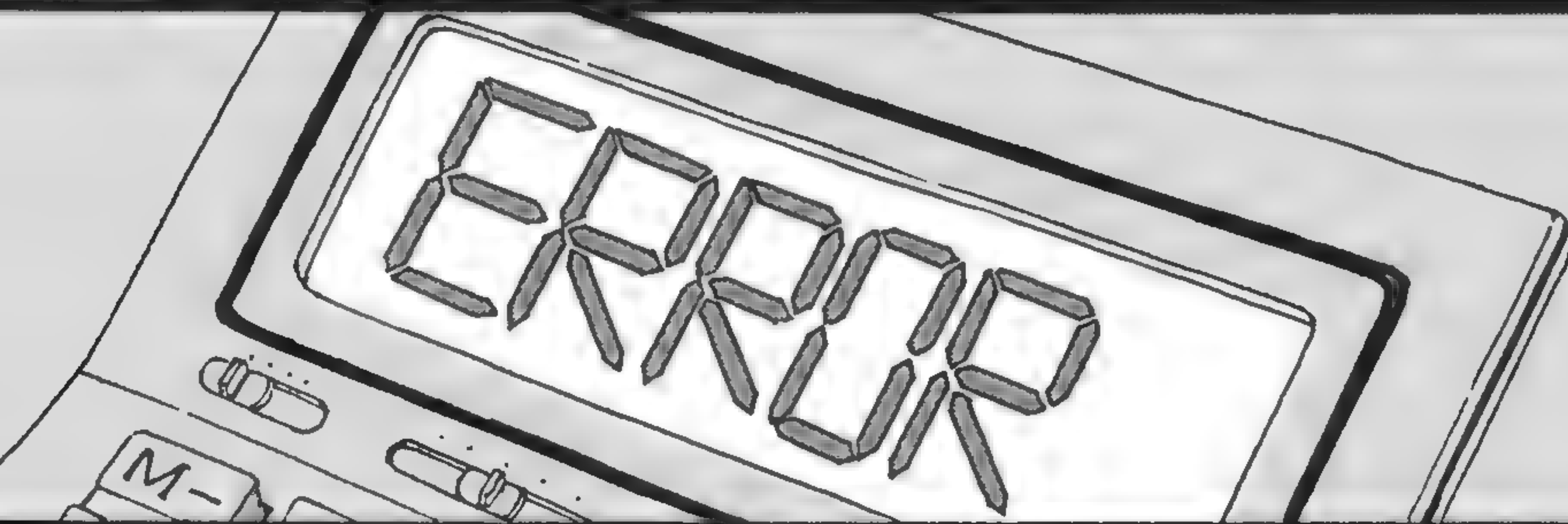
HOW MY
RELATIONSHIP
WITH EACH OF
THEM...
RESULTED IN
PROFITS...
ENABLED THE
HORNS CON-
GLOMERATE
TO GET
INTO THE
BLACK...

I'VE BEEN...
CALCULATING...
THE VALUE OF...
MY RELATIONSHIPS
WITH ALL THE
BEASTS I KNOW...
IN MY MIND.



I'VE BEEN
MAKING
THE CALCU-
LATIONS...

LOUIS...
MY RELATIONSHIP
WITH YOU IS THE
LAST ONE I'M
TALLYING UP...
I WANT TO
SETTLE OUR
ACCOUNTS...



...I CAN'T
DESCRIBE IN
NUMBERS...

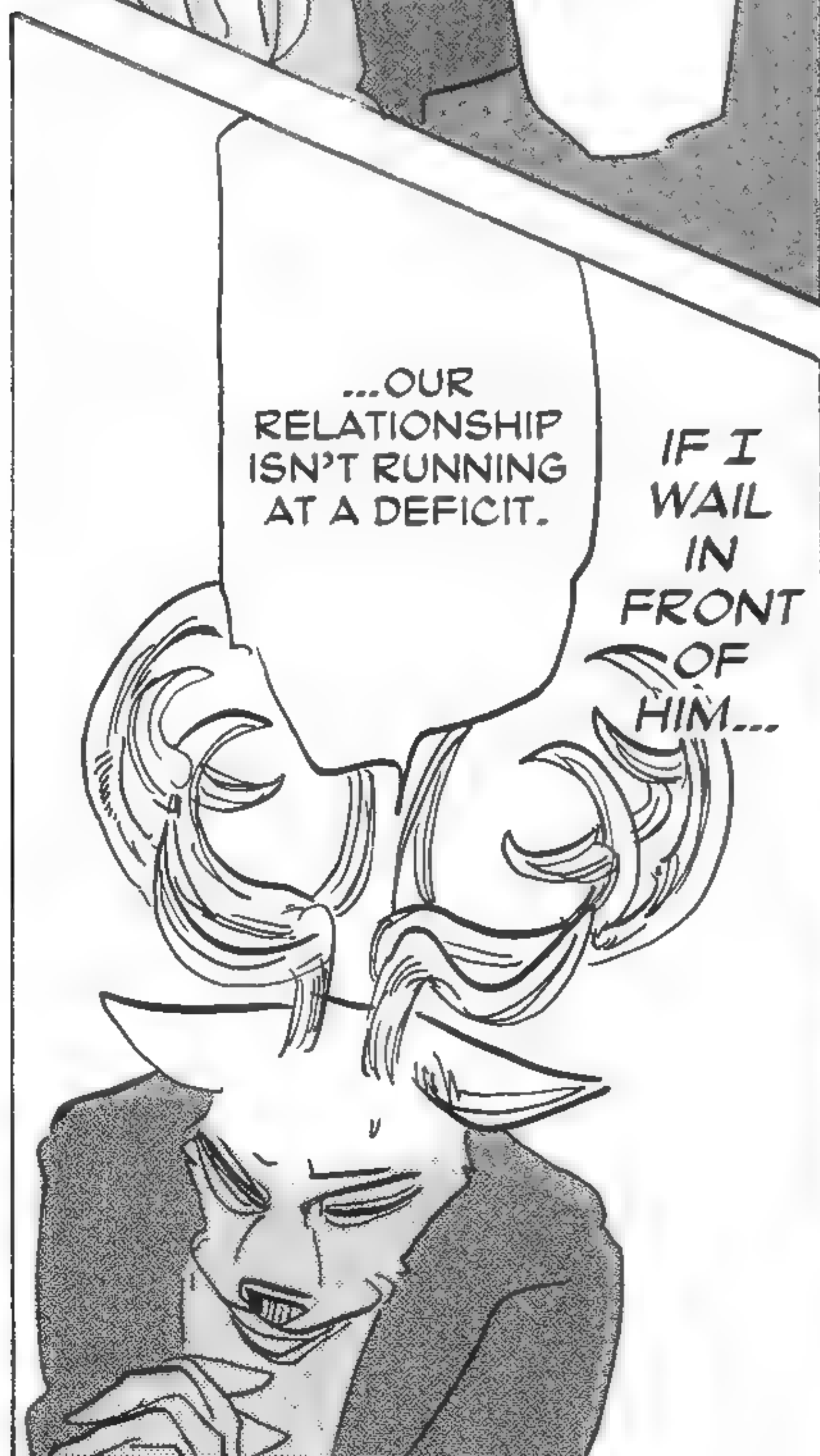


...BUT MY
RELATIONSHIP
WITH YOU IS
THE ONLY
ONE...



IF I
BEG
HIM
NOT TO
GO...

FATHER...
I'M
GLAD TO
HEAR...



...OUR
RELATIONSHIP
ISN'T RUNNING
AT A DEFICIT.

IF I
WAIL
IN
FRONT
OF
HIM...



THE CEO OF
A BUSINESS
CONGLOMER-
ATE...

...SHOULD
NEVER LOVE
ANYONE.

...I WOULDN'T
BE YOUR
SON.

IF I CLING TO
YOU NOW...

YOU'RE A
BUSINESS
MOGUL TO
THE VERY
END.



LOUIS...
I MADE
THE RIGHT
CHOICE.

FATHER
...

NNGH...

...ARE SO
ALIKE. NO
FATHER
AND SON
COULD BE
CLOSER.



THE
TWO
OF
US...

THE HORNS
CONGLOMER-
ATE IS IN
GOOD
HANDS.

...EVEN
NOW?

LOUIS
...

WHY ARE
WE SO
AWKWARD
AROUND
EACH
OTHER...

LET ME DO
SOMETHING
THAT HAS NO
MONETARY
VALUE AT
ALL...







THE
HOUSEHOLD
STAFF AND
GROUNDS-
KEEPERS
ARE SPEECH-
LESS...
OH, LOUIS...
WERE YOU
ABLE TO
TALK TO THE
MASTER?

YUTA...
AS I TOLD
YOU ON THE
PHONE, MY
FATHER...
HAVE YOU
INFORMED
EVERYONE
AT THE
RESIDENCE?

LOUIS!

ON NOV-
EMBER
4,
MASTER
OGMA
DIED
FROM A
TRAFFIC
ACCI-
DENT
AT THE
AGE
OF 47.

LOUIS
THE
RED
DEER...

LOUIS
...

...AT
THE AGE
OF 19,
WILL
SUCCEED
HIM AS
THE
SEVENTH
CEO OF
THE
HORNS
CON-
GLOM-
ERATE.

YES...
I WAS
ABLE TO
TALK TO
HIM.





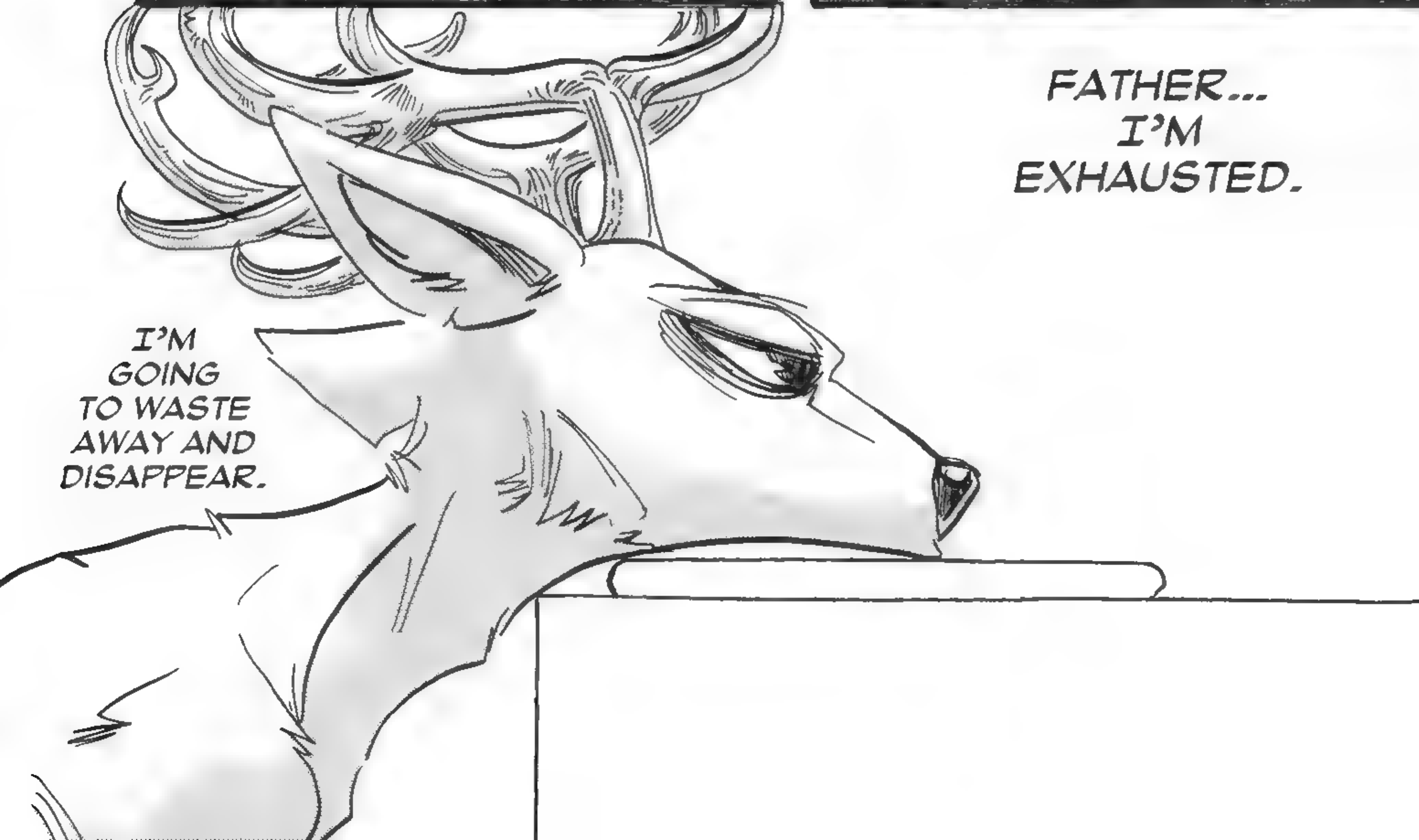
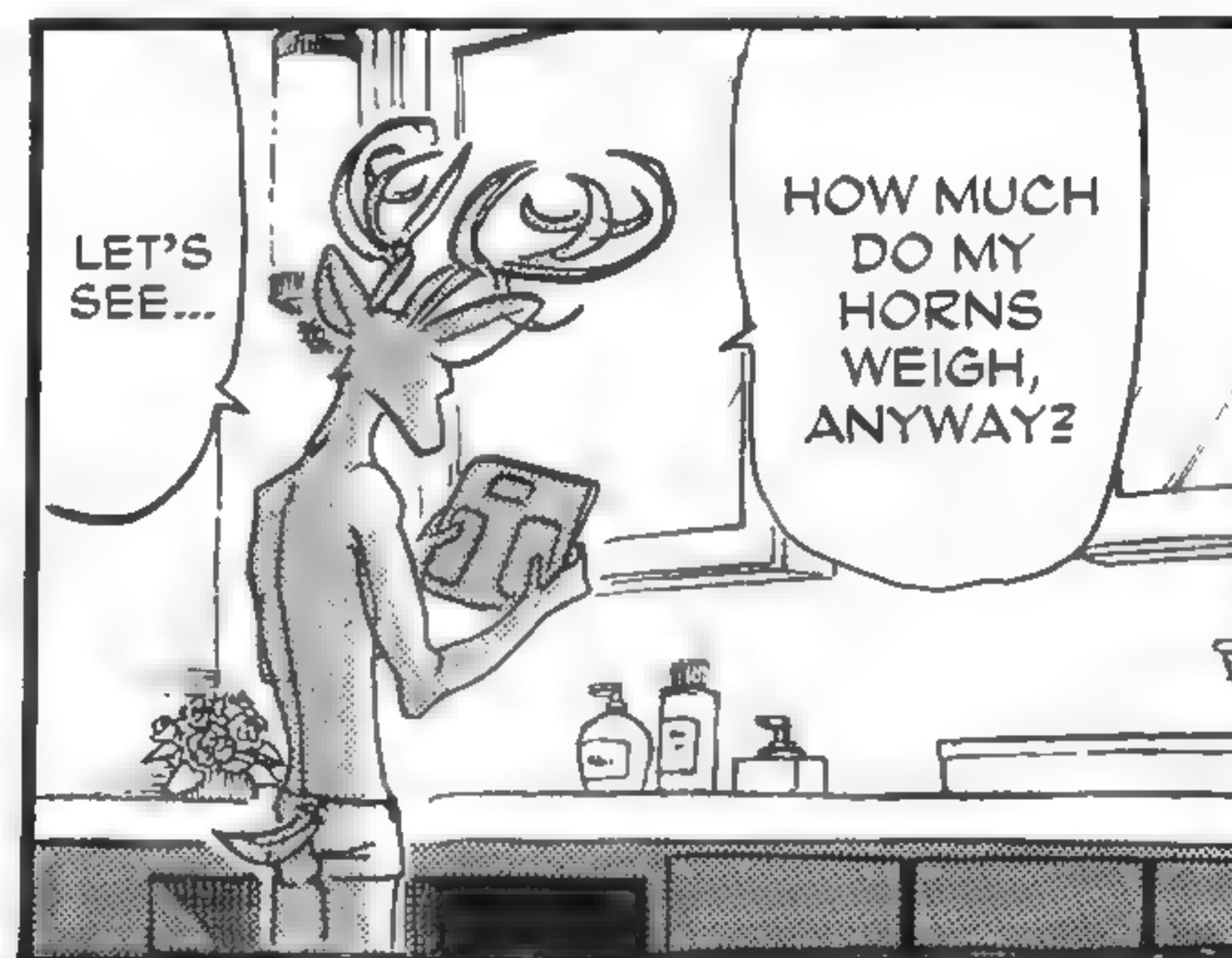
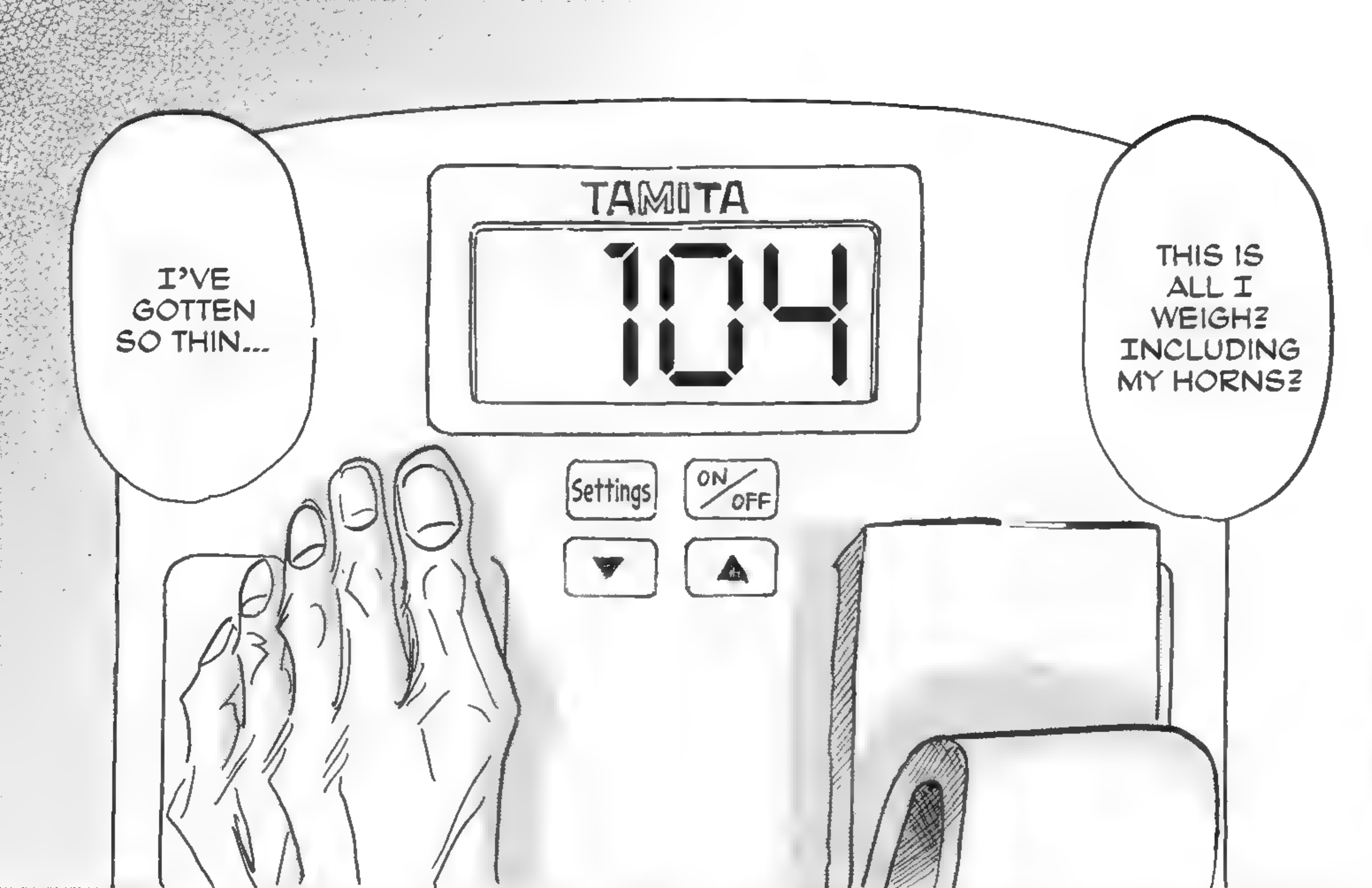


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FATHER...
I'M
EXHAUSTED.



LET US
PURIFY
OURSELVES
WITH THE
HOLY WATER
OF THE
WISDOM
SOUL
FESTIVAL!

AS
HERBIVORES,
WE'RE
NATURALLY
TORMENTED
BY STRESS
AND FATIGUE
EVERY DAY.



THE
WISDOM
SOUL
FESTIVAL
IS A
PURIFI-
CATION
RITUAL
FOR HERBI-
VORES
THAT
TAKES
PLACE
IN ODD-
NUM-
BERED
MONTHS.

I'VE
NEVER
LIKED
THIS
FESTIVAL.
I HAVEN'T
ATTENDED
SINCE I
WAS IN
GRADE
SCHOOL.

AT THE
FESTIVAL,
HERBIVORES
OFFER
PRAYERS OF
GRATITUDE
FOR THEIR
LIVES AND
PRAY NOT TO
BE KILLED AND
DEVOURED BY
CARNIVORES.



About
72 feet tall

Brachiosaurus

THE NECK
BONE OF A
BRACHIO-
SAURUS,
A HUGE
HERBIVORE
DINOSAUR,
IS FROZEN
IN ICE.
HERBIVORES
DOUSE THEIR
HANDS IN THE
MELTING
WATER THAT
DRIPS DOWN.

(THIS WATER IS
CONSIDERED
PURIFYING.)

IT'S
BELIEVED THAT
HERBIVORES
WHO MANAGE
TO TOSS COINS
INTO THE
OFFERTORY
BOX WILL
SURVIVE
UNTIL THE
NEXT ODD-
NUMBERED
MONTH.

BUT FOR
THOSE WHO MISS
THE BOX, DANGER
IS IMMINENT, SO
THEY BUY AMULETS
FOR PROTECTION.

THE
RED
ONE'S
CUTE!

THE
HERBIVORES
WHO ATTEND...



THEY
DON'T
KNOW
WHAT IT'S
LIKE TO BE
ON SALE,
WAITING
TO BE
DEVOURED
ALIVE.
THAT'S
WHY I
STOPPED
COMING
TO THIS
FESTIVAL.

...ARE SO
CASUAL
ABOUT
BEING PREY
ANIMALS.



...I FEEL
LIKE I
WANT
TO LOSE
MYSELF
IN A
CROWD.

BUT
EVER SINCE
FATHER
PASSED
AWAY...



I CAN'T
TALK TO
LEGOSHI
ABOUT
MY LIFE.
I DON'T
WANT TO
DISTRACT
HIM.

HE NEEDS
TO STAY
FOCUSED ON
TRAINING
TO DEFEAT
MELON.





WHAT A
COINCIDENCE.
WHEN DID
WE LAST
SEE EACH
OTHER?

HARU...



FINE...

URNS
OUT...



IT'S
BEEN
AGES!

LOUIS!
IS IT
REALLY
YOU?!

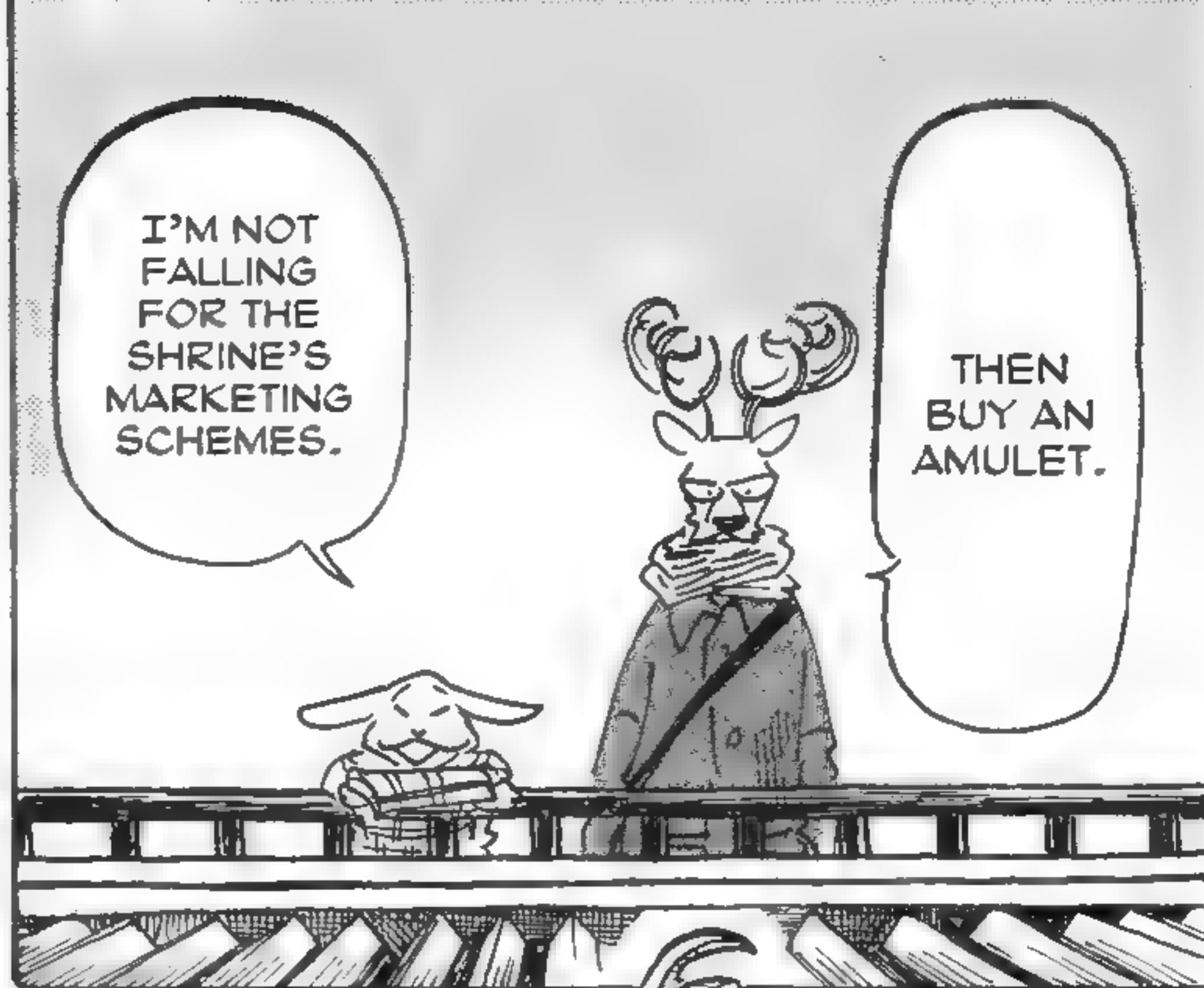
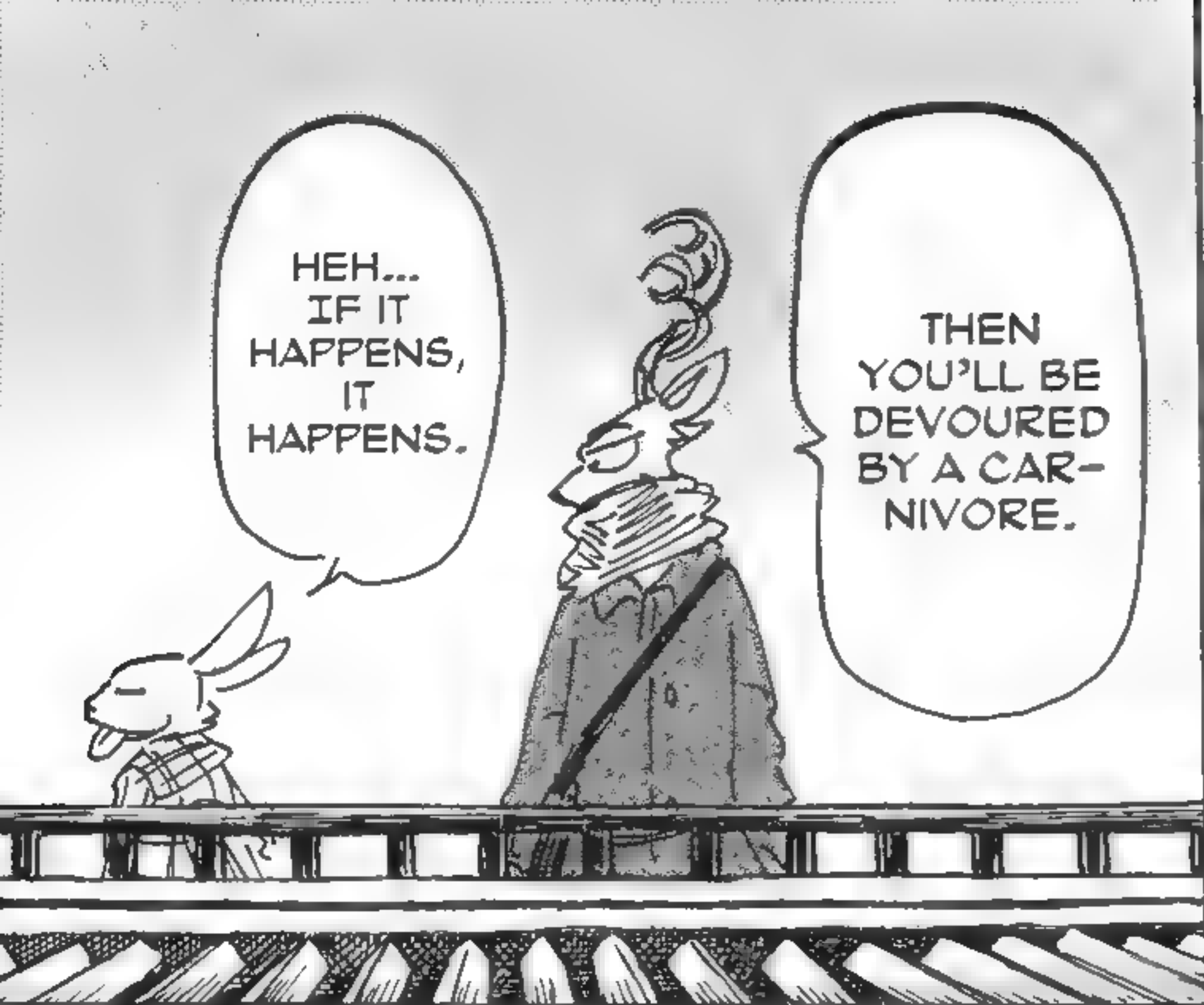
HOW
HAVE
YOU
BEEN?



OH NO!
I MISSED THE
OFFERTORY
BOX!



K
L
I
N
K

...SHE'S
JUST THE
BEAST I
WANT TO
SEE.



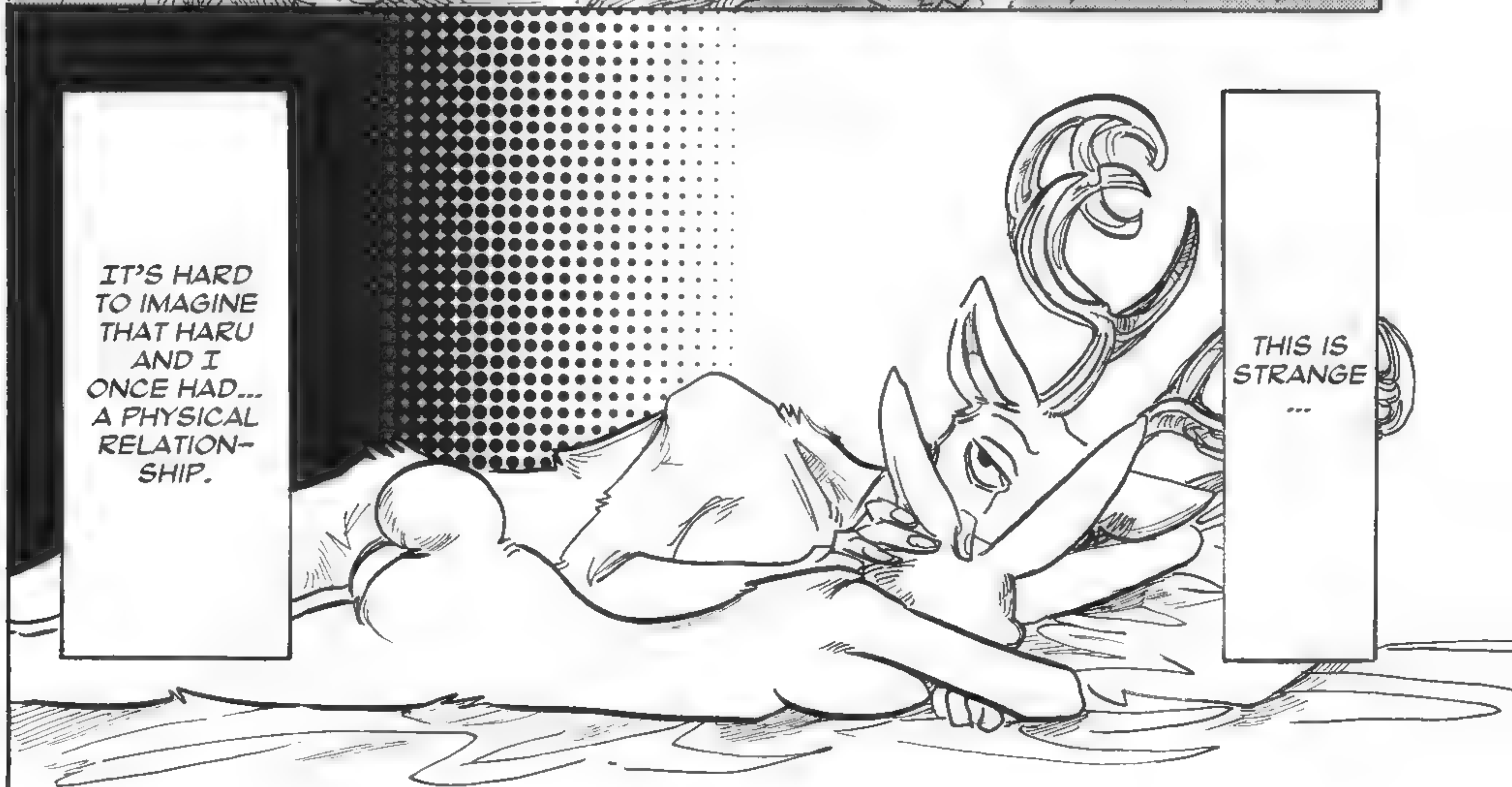
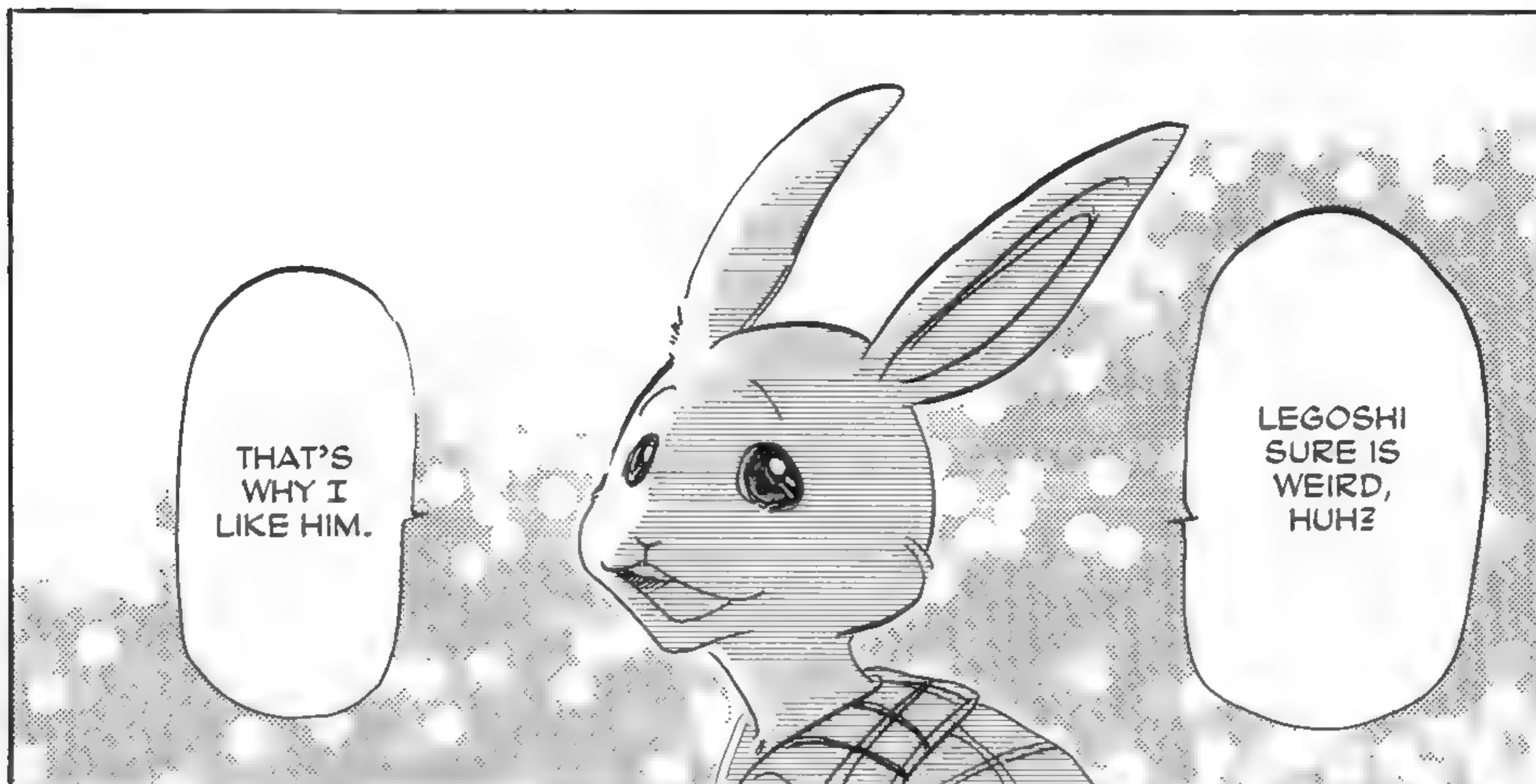
Wisdom Soul Sake

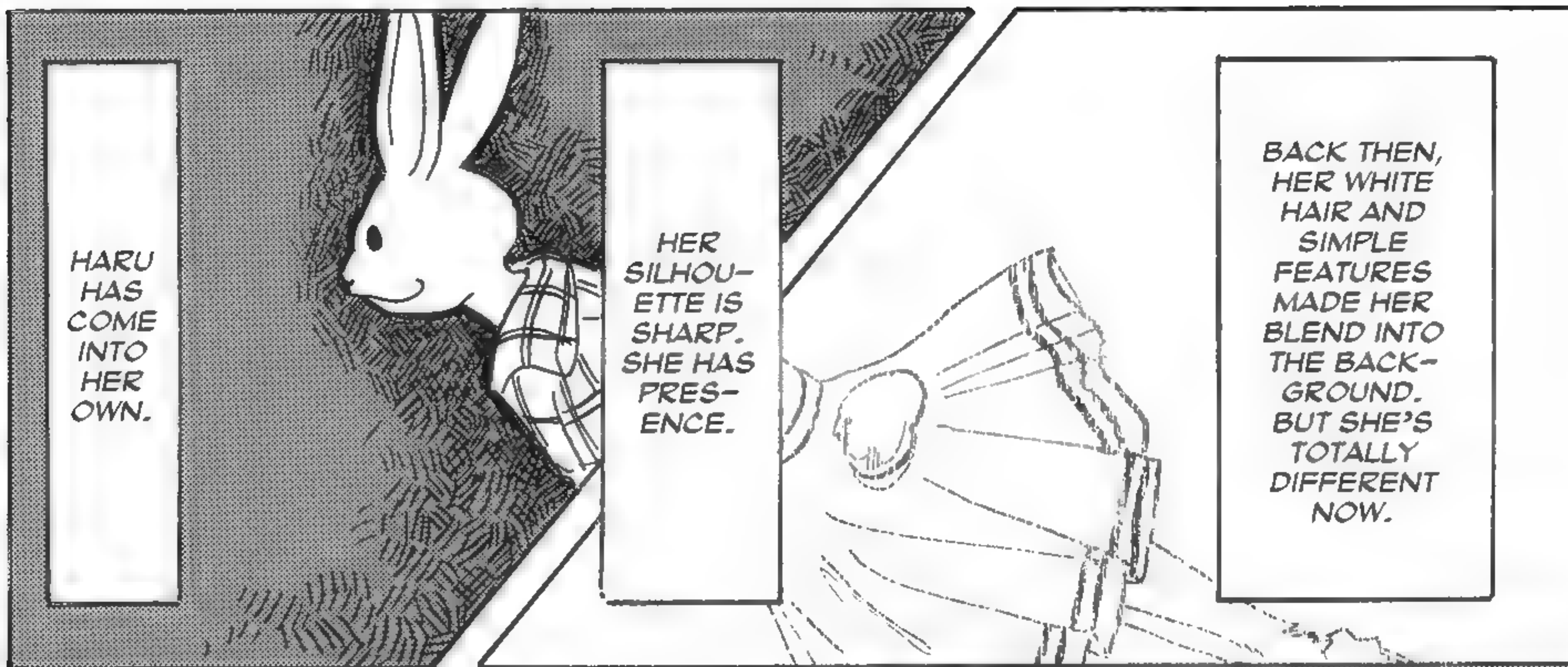
THIS SWEET,
FERMENTED
RICE DRINK IS
FLAVORED
WITH HERBS
CARNIVORES
DISLIKE.
HERBIVORES
DRINK IT AT THE
FESTIVAL FOR
GOOD LUCK
TO PREVENT
CARNIVORES
FROM DEVOURING
THEM.



WHY AM
I THE
ONE EX-
PLAINING
THIS?







HARU
HAS
COME
INTO
HER
OWN.

HER
SILHOU-
ETTE IS
SHARP.
SHE HAS
PRES-
ENCE.

BACK THEN,
HER WHITE
HAIR AND
SIMPLE
FEATURES
MADE HER
BLEND INTO
THE BACK-
GROUND.
BUT SHE'S
TOTALLY
DIFFERENT
NOW.



UM...



...BUT I
LIKE YOU
MORE THE
WAY YOU
ARE NOW.

WE'LL
NEVER BE
LOVERS
AGAIN...



REALLY?
YOU DON'T
THINK I'M
PATHETIC?



BUT
LEGOSHI
KEEPS TELLING
ME HOW
GREAT I AM!
SO NOW I'M
STARTING TO
THINK MORE OF
MYSELF.
I HATE THAT.

I'VE
LIVED A
LOW-KEY
LIFE AS A
PREY
ANIMAL.

I'M JUST
LIKE THE
OTHER
HERBIVORES
AT THIS
FESTIVAL.

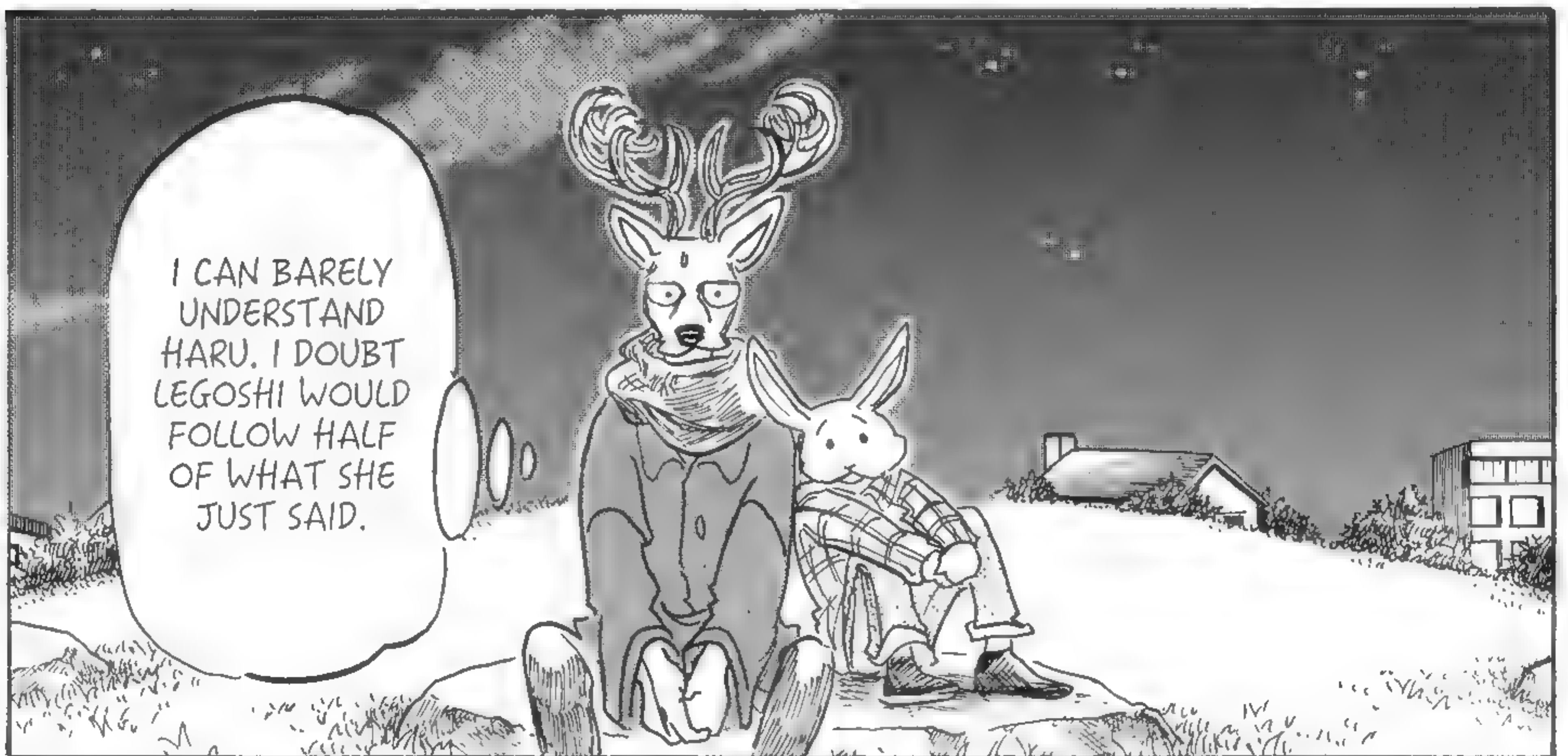
I WAS
CONTENT TO
LIVE MY LIFE
AS AN ORDINARY
HERBIVORE
BEFORE HIM.

MAYBE I COULD
ACCEPT IT IF HE WERE
THE SAME SPECIES,
BUT A RABBIT WHO'S
TRYING TO IMPRESS
HER WOLF BOYFRIEND
HAS GOT TO BE A
SHALLOW LOSER.

BECAUSE
FEMALES
WHO
CHANGE
FOR MALES
THEY LIKE
ARE
PATHETIC.
I DON'T
WANT TO
BE LIKE
THAT.

WHY
WOULD
I THINK
THAT
?!







I HAD NO
IDEA SO MANY
HERBIVORES
ATTENDED
THIS FESTI-
VAL.

IT'S
BECOME
REALLY
POPULAR
LATELY.
NOT MANY
HERBIVORES
CAME THE LAST
FEW YEARS.
I WONDER IF
IT'S BECAUSE
IT'S LESS
SAFE HERE
NOWADAYS.



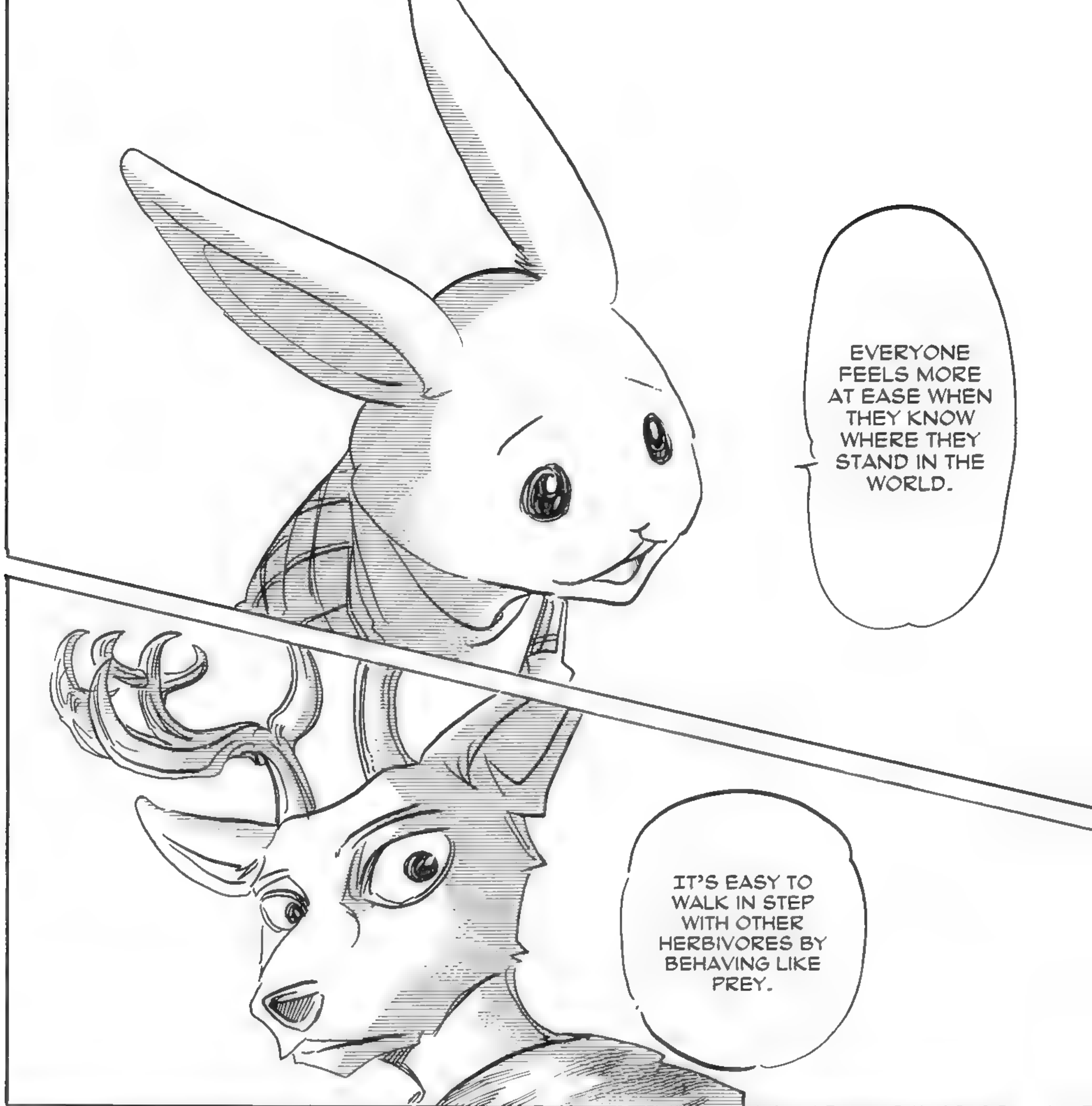
ONLY TEN
MORE BOTTLES
OF WISDOM
SOUL SAKE
LEFT!

THE
AMULETS ARE
ABOUT TO SELL
OUT TOO! LAST
CHANCE IF YOU
WEREN'T ABLE
TO TOSS YOUR
COIN INTO THE
OFFERTORY
BOX!



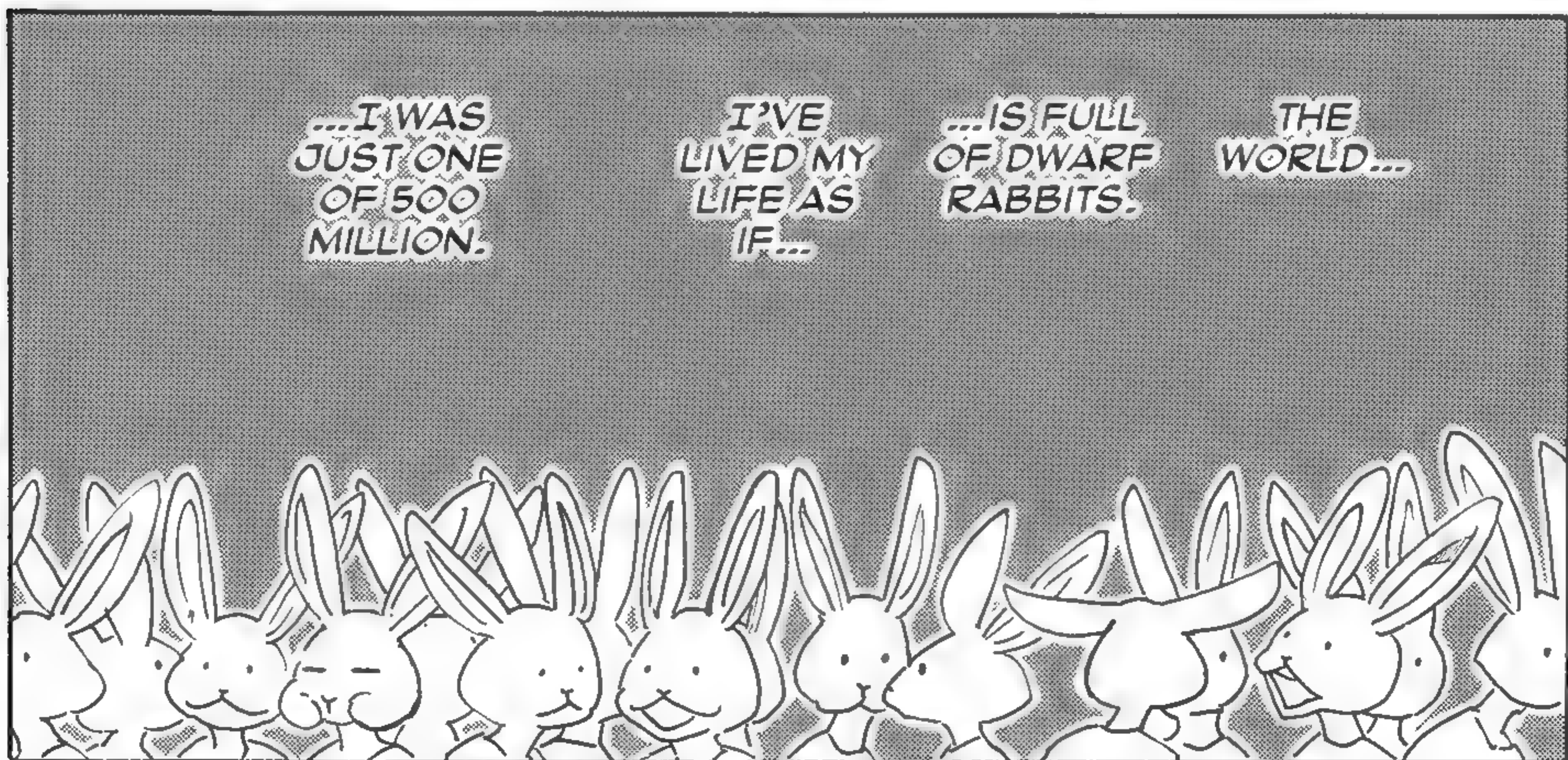
THE MORE
DANGEROUS
THE CITY
BECOMES,
THE MORE
BUSINESS
BOOMS.

THAT'S
IRONIC.



EVERYONE
FEELS MORE
AT EASE WHEN
THEY KNOW
WHERE THEY
STAND IN THE
WORLD.

IT'S EASY TO
WALK IN STEP
WITH OTHER
HERBIVORES BY
BEHAVING LIKE
PREY.



...I WAS
JUST ONE
OF 500
MILLION.

I'VE
LIVED MY
LIFE AS
IF...

...IS FULL
OF DWARF
RABBITS.

THE
WORLD...



YOU HAVE
NO IDEA
HOW CON-
FUSING
THAT WAS.

...I WAS
SPECIAL.

THEN
ALL OF A
SUDDEN,
A HUGE
WOLF AP-
PEARED
AND MADE
ME FEEL
LIKE...



...I MADE A
PROMISE TO A
MALE I MET AT
COLLEGE.

THAT'S WHY,
ON THE SPUR
OF THE MO-
MENT...

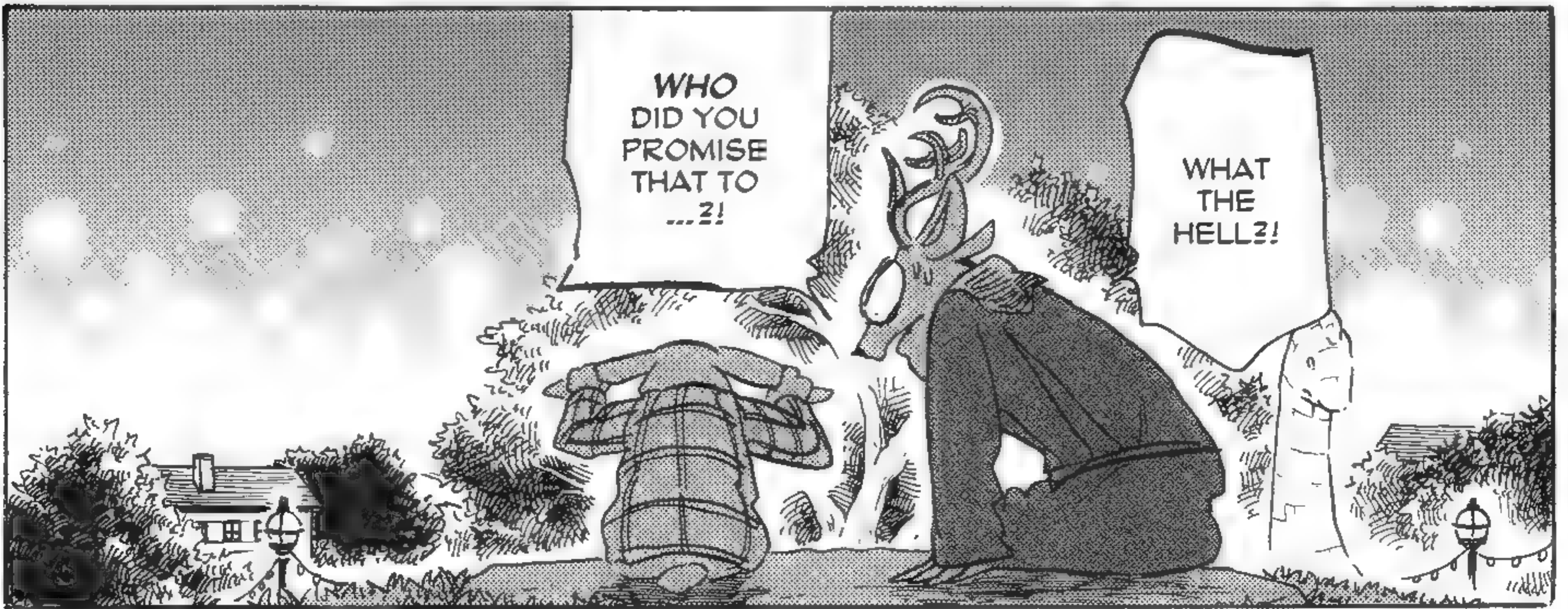
I'D ALWAYS
BEEN CONTENT
TO BE A
NONDESCRIP
PREY ANIMAL.
I WAS USED
TO LIFE AS AN
HERBIVORE.



A PROMISE
THAT HE COULD
DEVOUR ME
NEXT MONTH.



WHAT
PROMISE
...?



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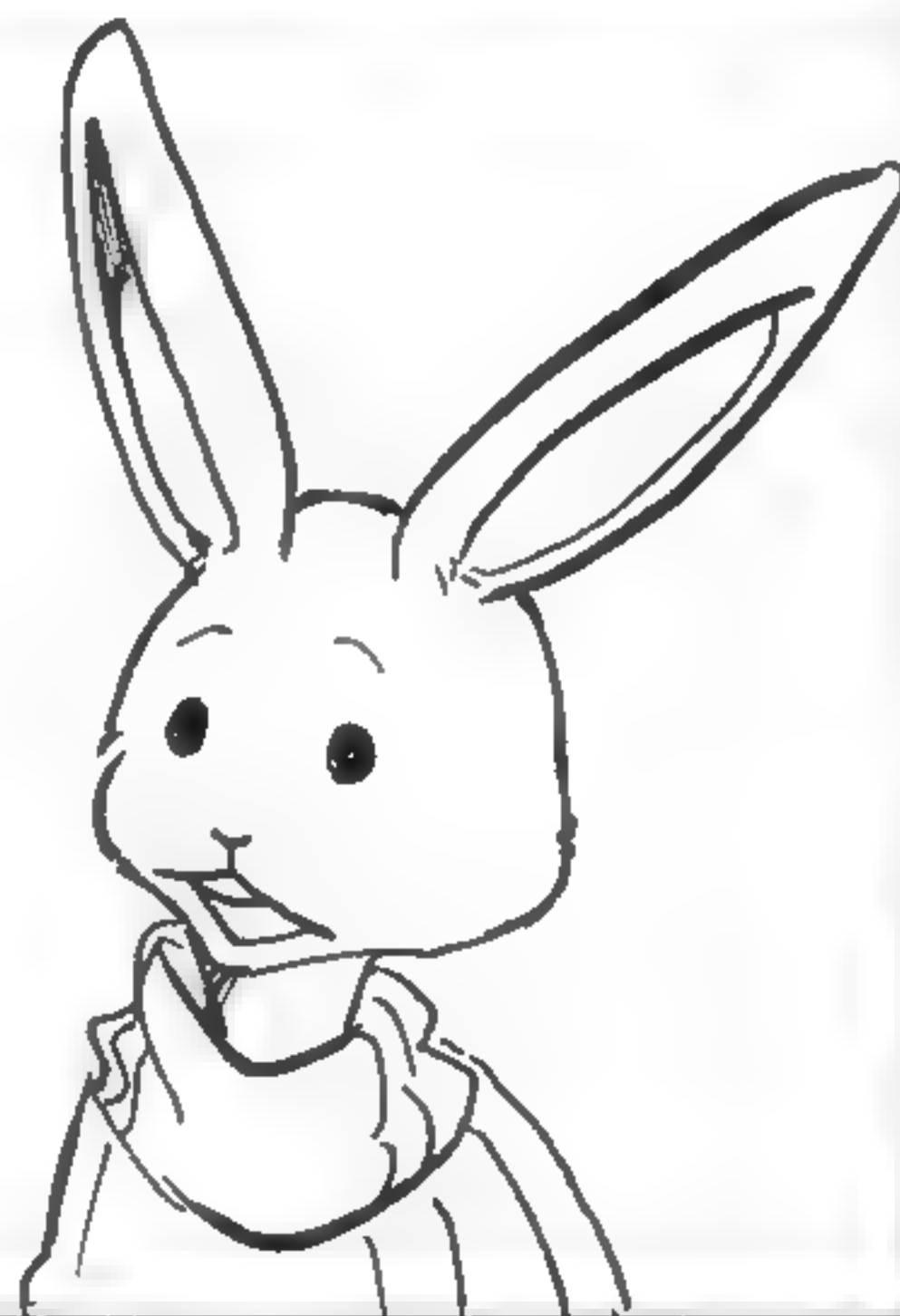
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HE USED
HIS NAIL
TO REMOVE
THE SKIN
OF A CORN
KERNEL
STUCK
BETWEEN
HIS TEETH.



...WHAT
WAS
BEHIND
HIS FACE
MASK.

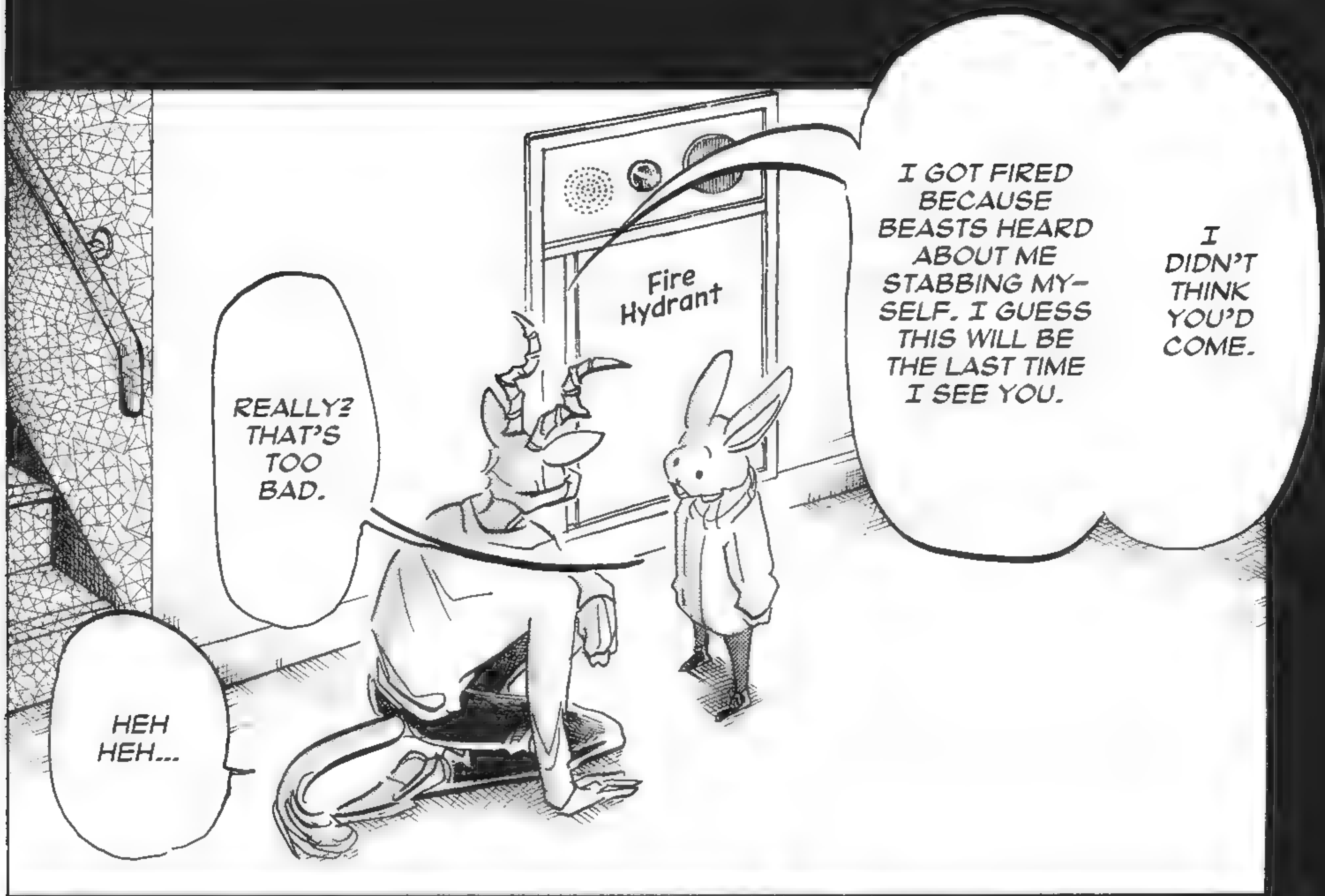


HE DID IT
AS IF HE
WANTED
TO SHOW
ME A
GLIMPSE
OF...



I HAD
CORN
CHOWDER
FOR
LUNCH.



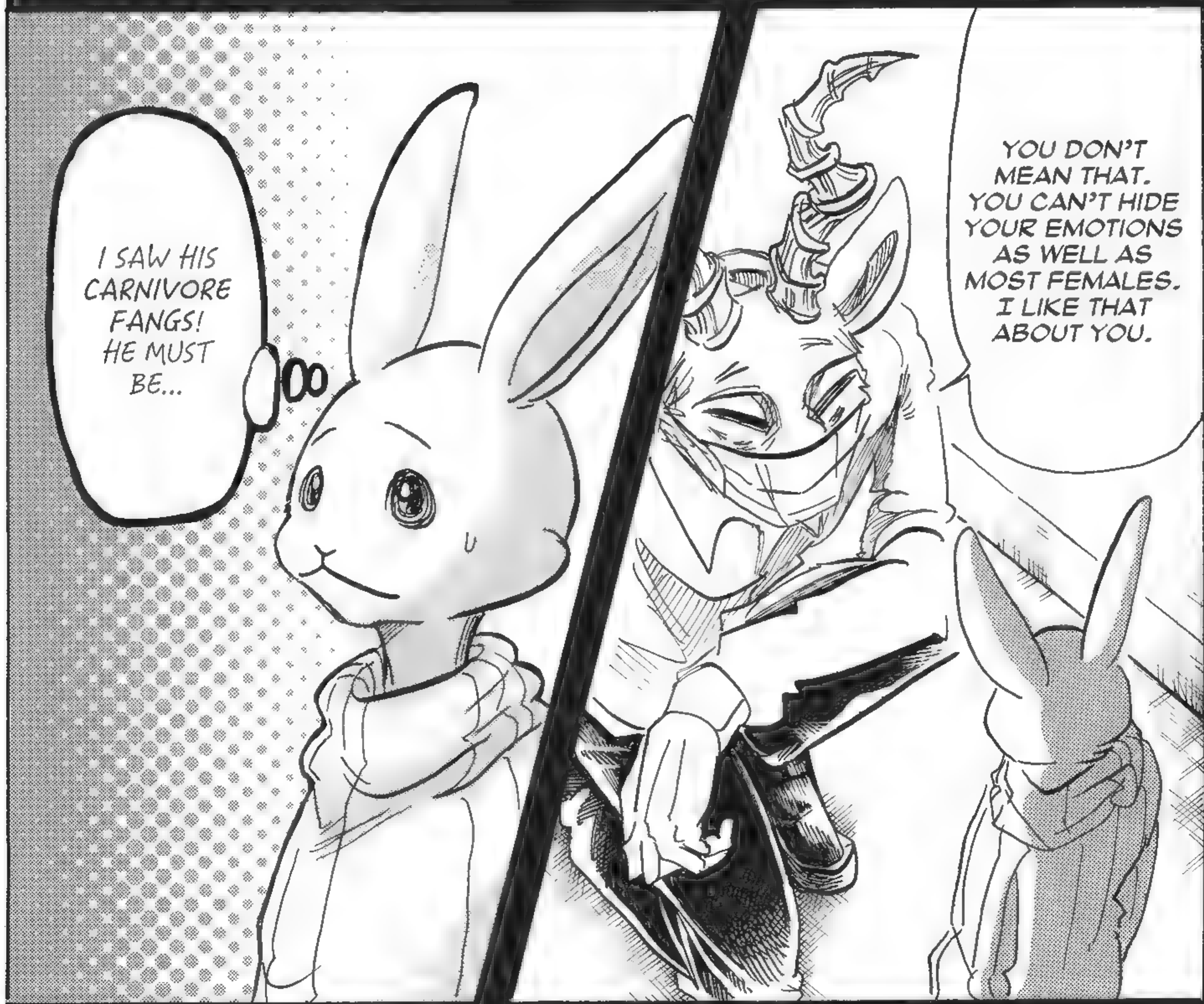


REALLY?
THAT'S
TOO
BAD.

HEH
HEH...

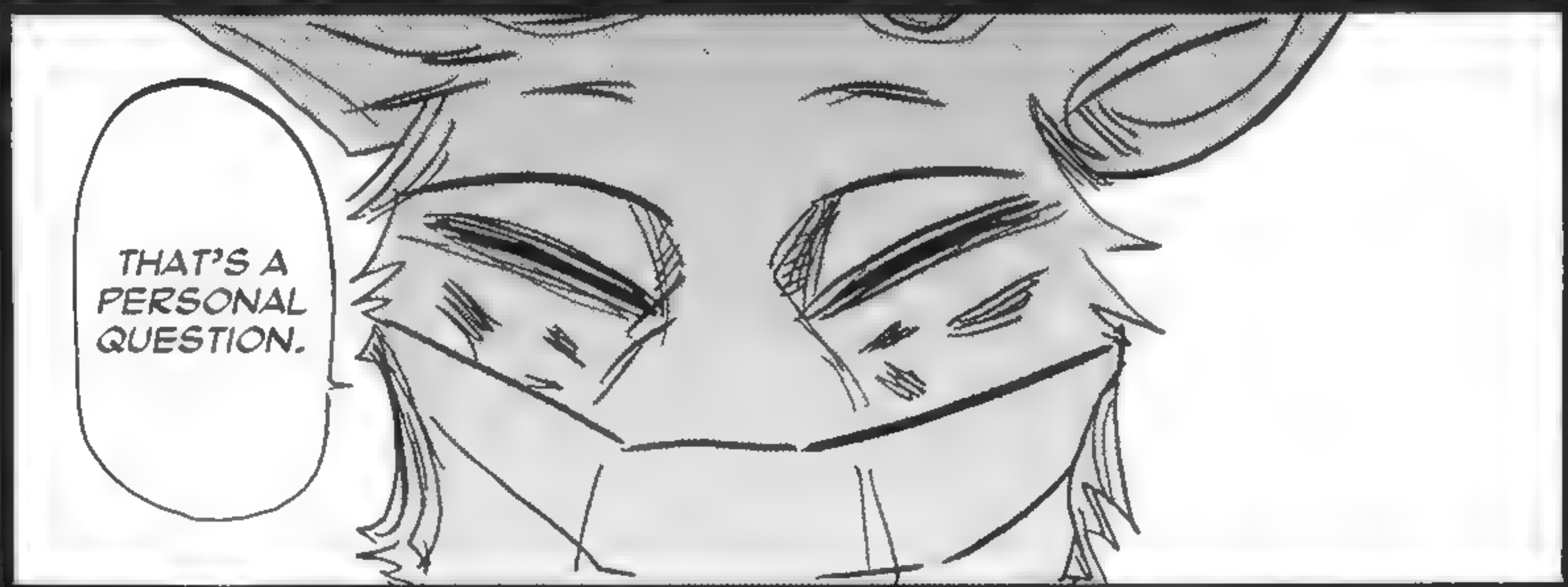
I GOT FIRED
BECAUSE
BEASTS HEARD
ABOUT ME
STABBING MY-
SELF. I GUESS
THIS WILL BE
THE LAST TIME
I SEE YOU.

I
DIDN'T
THINK
YOU'D
COME.



I SAW HIS
CARNIVORE
FANGS!
HE MUST
BE...

YOU DON'T
MEAN THAT.
YOU CAN'T HIDE
YOUR EMOTIONS
AS WELL AS
MOST FEMALES.
I LIKE THAT
ABOUT YOU.





HEY,
HEY...
HOLD
ON.
IS
YOUR
TEACH-
ER—?

ISN'T THAT
INCREDIBLE?
I WAS SO
HAPPY TO
LEARN
THAT—
BECAUSE
OF ME AND
LEGOSHI.

SO
THIS MEANS...
A HALF-
CARNIVORE,
HALF-HERBIVORE
BEAST CAN
SURVIVE TO
ADULTHOOD!
WOW!
WHAT A
RELIEF!

HE SAID
"I WANT
TO EAT
YOU"...
AND YOU
SAID
YES?!

UM...
I FELT
SORRY
FOR HIM.
MAYBE IT
WAS MY
MATER-
NAL IN-
STINCTS
KICKING
IN.

WHY'RE
YOU
SUR-
PRISED?
I'M NOT
ODD.
I CELE-
BRATE
EVERY-
BODY'S
BIRTH.

I CAN'T
BELIEVE
YOU'RE SO
ACCEPTING OF
THE CIRCUM-
STANCES OF
MY BIRTH.
YOU REALLY
ARE AN ODD
ONE.

NO ONE'S
EVER
CELEBRATED
MY BIRTHDAY.
EVERYONE'S
BUSY AT THE
END OF THE
YEAR.

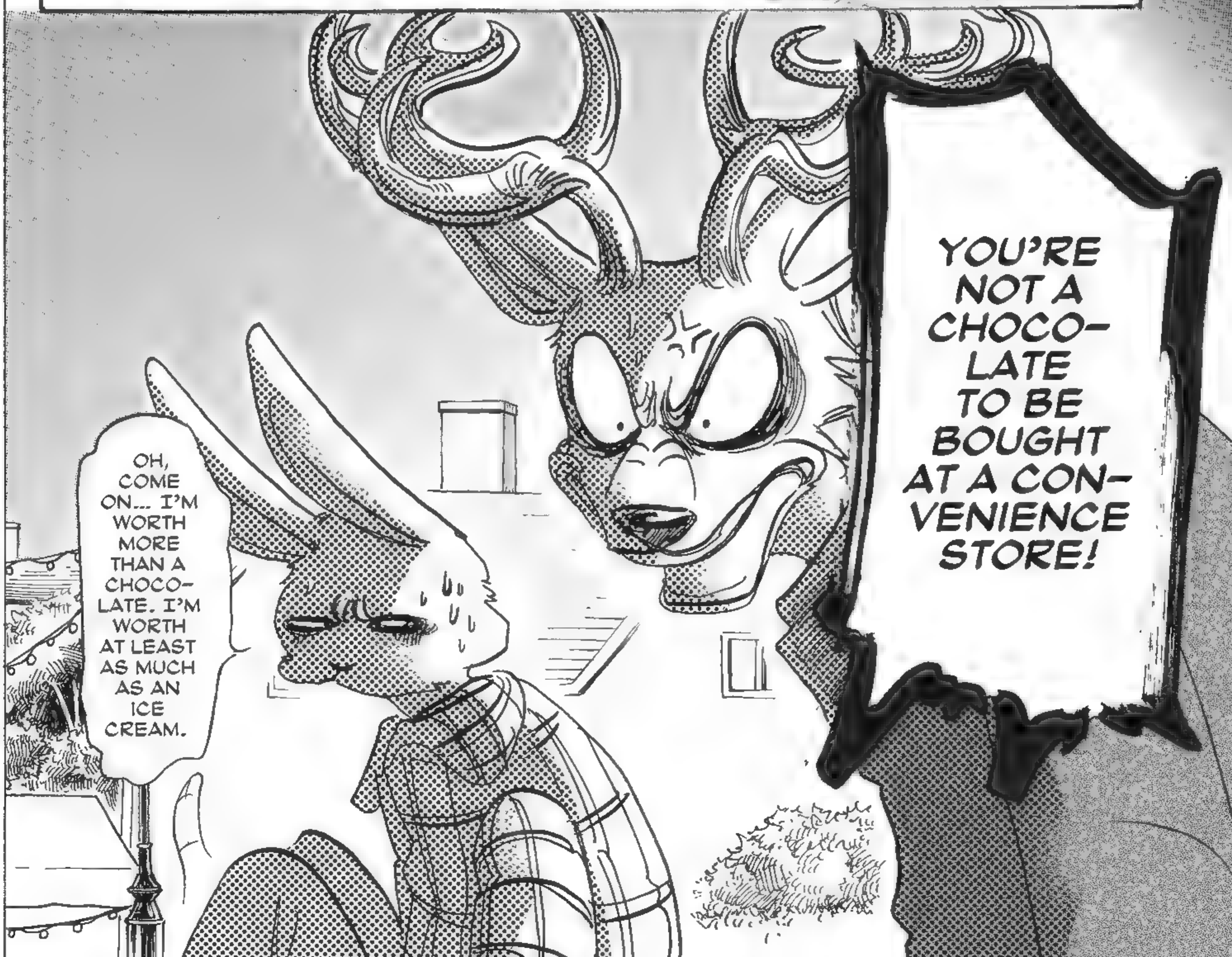
YOU
SHOULD
GIVE
YOUR-
SELF A
GIFT.

Fire
Hydrant

OH,
YOUR
BIRTHDAY
IS NEXT
MONTH?

WHAT
?

I SUPPOSE
SO...
GUESS WHAT
I WANT
FOR MY
BIRTHDAY?



I NEVER
DREAMED
I'D BE THE
ONE TO
CALM YOUR
WEDDING
JITTERS...

Your cold
feet are
super
cold!

SIGH

IT'S
BETTER
THAN
HAVING
LEGOSHI
TREAT ME
LIKE I'M
UNIQUE!

AN
HERBI-
VORE'S
ONLY
VALUE
IS TO
BE DE-
VOURED.


I WANT
TO GIVE
RATHER
THAN
TAKE.

YOU'RE
NOT AN
HERBIVORE
OR PREY...
YOU'RE
YOU.

YOUR
WHOLE LIFE
HAS MOLDED
YOU INTO
WHO
YOU ARE
BEFORE
AND AFTER
MEETING
LEGOSHI.

YOU'VE
ALWAYS
BEEN
YOU.

I KNEW YOU
BEFORE YOU
MET LEGOSHI.



IT'S OKAY
IF YOU GET
DEPRESSED
SOMETIMES.
OR CRY.
AND FEEL
HOPELESS.

BUT YOU
HAVE TO
KEEP
LIVING, NO
MATTER
WHAT!



WE
NEED TO
CHANGE
THE
WORLD.
SO...

...A LITTLE
RABBIT
CAN FEEL
DEPRESSED
SOMETIMES
WITHOUT
GETTING
SUICIDAL.



THESE
PENS ARE
ALL OUT
OF INK.

I CAN'T
SIGN UP.

December Happy Meat Day
Turf War Contestants

Doku-
gumi Madara-
gumi Inari-
gumi

Shishi-
gumi

I
CAN'T
DO
IT.

ARGH...





YOU'RE
QUITE
THE
EXHIBI-
TIONIST.

WHAT A
SURPRISE TO
SEE YOU HERE.
YOU WANT
A PUBLIC
SHOWDOWN
WITH ME?

IS HE
GOING TO
FIGHT A TURF
WAR ALL BY
HIMSELF?

MRMR

MRMR

MRMR

WHO IS
THAT
WOLF?

NO
IDEA.



YOU HAVE
TOO MUCH
INFLUENCE
IN THE BLACK
MARKET.

THAT'S WHY
I NEED TO
FIGHT AND
DEFEAT YOU
IN PUBLIC.



THIS IS AN ABANDONED CONSTRUCTION SITE.



SO DO YOU HAVE A FRESH PEN OR NOT?

FOR ME, IT'S NOT ABOUT GETTING ATTENTION OR WINNING OR LOSING. ANYWAY, YOU'RE THE CHARISMATIC ONE THE CROWD WILL BE LOOKING AT.

NOPE.

Black

Pens



BUT THIS IS THE STATE OF THINGS NOWADAYS. EVERY CONSTRUCTION PROJECT HAS BEEN HALTED AND LEFT UNFINISHED.

THERE WAS A TIME WHEN THE CITY WOULD REPAIR BUILDINGS AND PAVE ROADS IN THE BLACK MARKET.

December Happy Meal Toy
Turk War Contestants
Jace: Myster Mar 2006
Shishi-gumi



YOU'RE
TOO EVIL.
AND I
WANT
TO END
THIS
ONCE
AND
FOR
ALL.



I WORKED
HARD TO
EARN MY
SPOT AS
THE BOSS
OF THIS
MISERABLE
BLACK
MARKET.
WHY DO
YOU HAVE
A PROB-
LEM
WITH
ME?



THIRD
TIME'S
THE
CHARM?

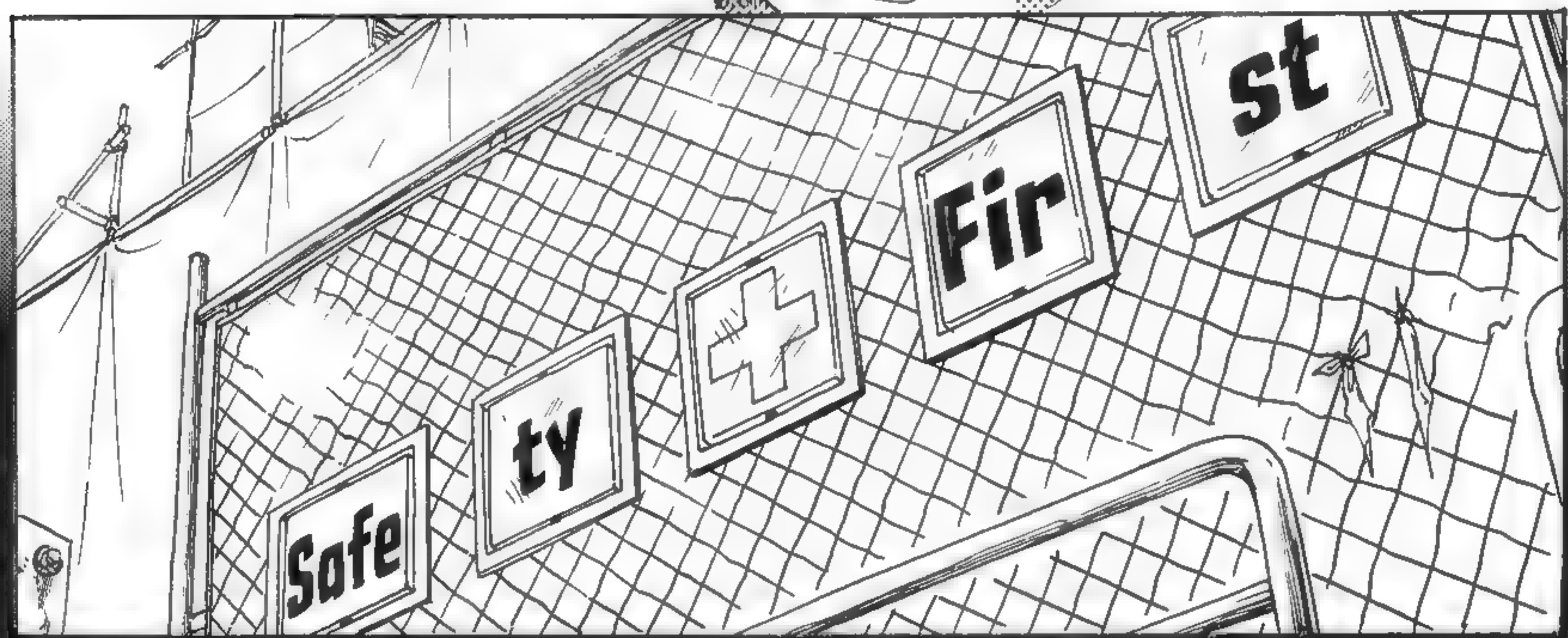
OH YEAH?
YOU THINK
YOU'RE
READY TO
TAKE ME
ON NOW?





I HOPE
THIS THING
WORKS
RIGHT.

IT'S
BEEN
20 YEARS
SINCE WE
LAST
ADMINIS-
TERED IT...



WE
NEED TO
PREPARE.
OUT OF
THE WAY.

HEY!

SKRRY
SKRRY

**BASIC
KNOWLEDGE
OF BEAST
SOCIETY QUIZ
COMPETITION!**



WHAT?
?!!

Shishi-
gumi!

ti
tion

ARE
YOU
SERIOUS
?

THIS IS
RIDICU-
LOUS.

Clap

Black
Mark
Mgmt.

YAAAA

Melon

Legoshi

Com



...FRESH
YOUNG
WOLF MEAT
WILL BE
SOLD AT A
DISCOUNT
ON THE
BLACK
MARKET
TODAY.

IF HE
LOSES,
HE'LL BE
IMPALED ON
THIS IRON
SPIKE AND
GRILLED ON A
ROTISSERIE,
AND...

THE PENALTY
FOR LOSING IS
SEVERE.
THIS IS YOUR
LAST CHANCE
TO WITHDRAW,
LEGOSHI.



YOU WILL
EACH BE ASKED
SEVERAL BASIC
QUESTIONS ABOUT
OUR SOCIETY.

THE
RULES
ARE
SIMPLE.

【EXAMPLE】

- What type of music do Muridae like?
- What's the worst thing you can say to Aves?

↑ Answer: Songs less than a minute long because their lives are short. Like the "you're a Chicken" song.

MELON, LEADER
OF THE MOST
POWERFUL GANG,
AND LEGOSHI, THE
CHALLENGER, WILL
COMPETE AGAINST
EACH OTHER.

IF
LEGOSHI
WINS, HE'LL
EARN THE
RIGHT TO
PARTICIPATE
IN THE HAPPY
MEAT DAY
TURF WAR.

at Vay
ants

nari-
gumi

Shishi-
gumi



Shishi-
gumi



Legoshi

...

UP TO
YOU.



Melon

I HAVE
REAL-WORLD
EXPERIENCE!

F-FOR A
LITTLE
LESS THAN
A YEAR
THOUGH...

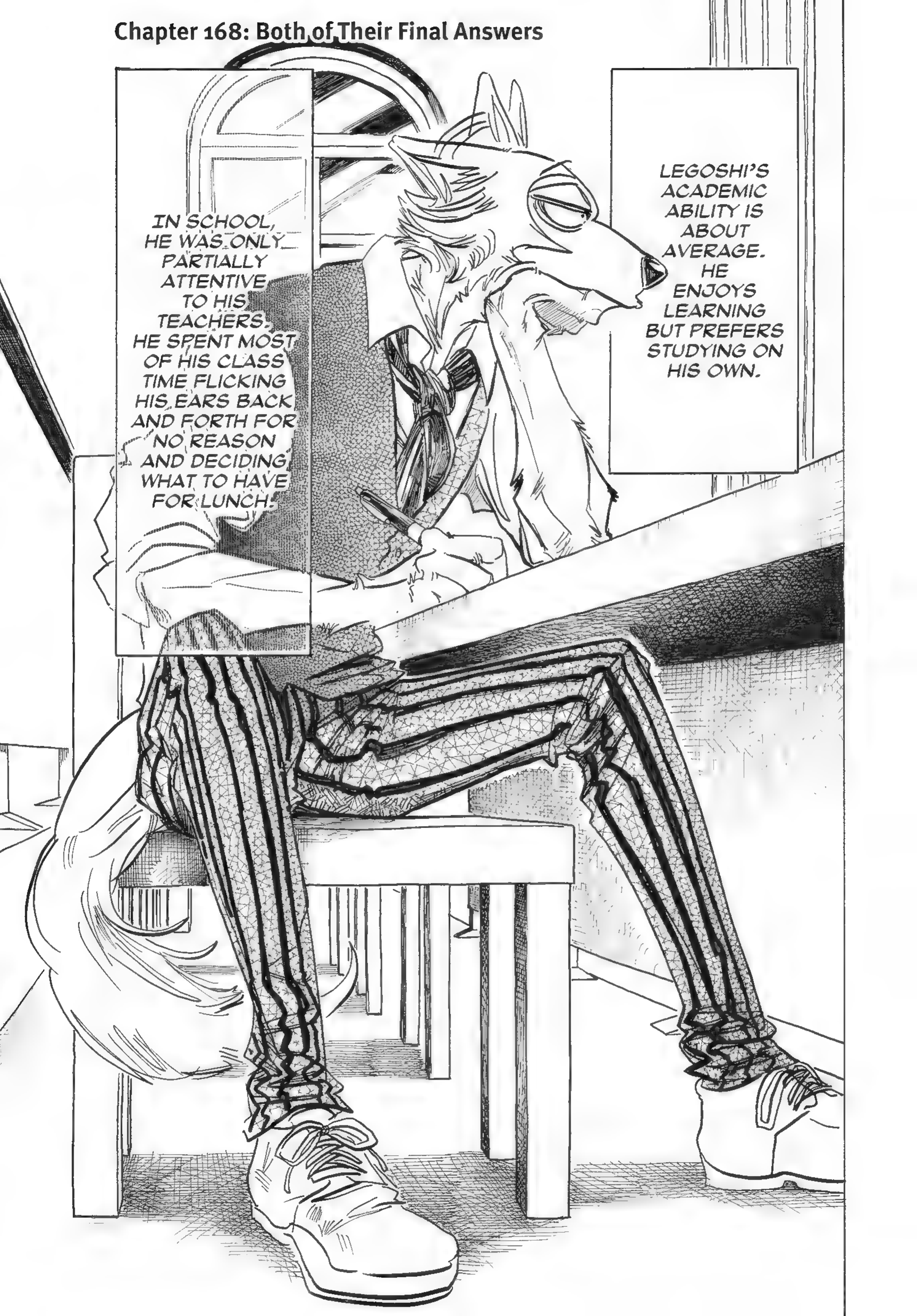
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I
KNOW
I CAN
WIN
THIS!



IN SCHOOL, HE WAS ONLY PARTIALLY ATTENTIVE TO HIS TEACHERS. HE SPENT MOST OF HIS CLASS TIME FLICKING HIS EARS BACK AND FORTH FOR NO REASON AND DECIDING WHAT TO HAVE FOR LUNCH!

LEGOSHI'S ACADEMIC ABILITY IS ABOUT AVERAGE. HE ENJOYS LEARNING BUT PREFERS STUDYING ON HIS OWN.







IS THIS
MY MORNING
SNIFF TEST?
OKAY!

HEY, LEGOSHI!
CAN YOU TELL
WHO I WAS
TALKING TO
JUST NOW?
HUH? CAN
YOU?

SNIFF
SNIFF
SNIFF
SNIFF
SNIFF

BILL!

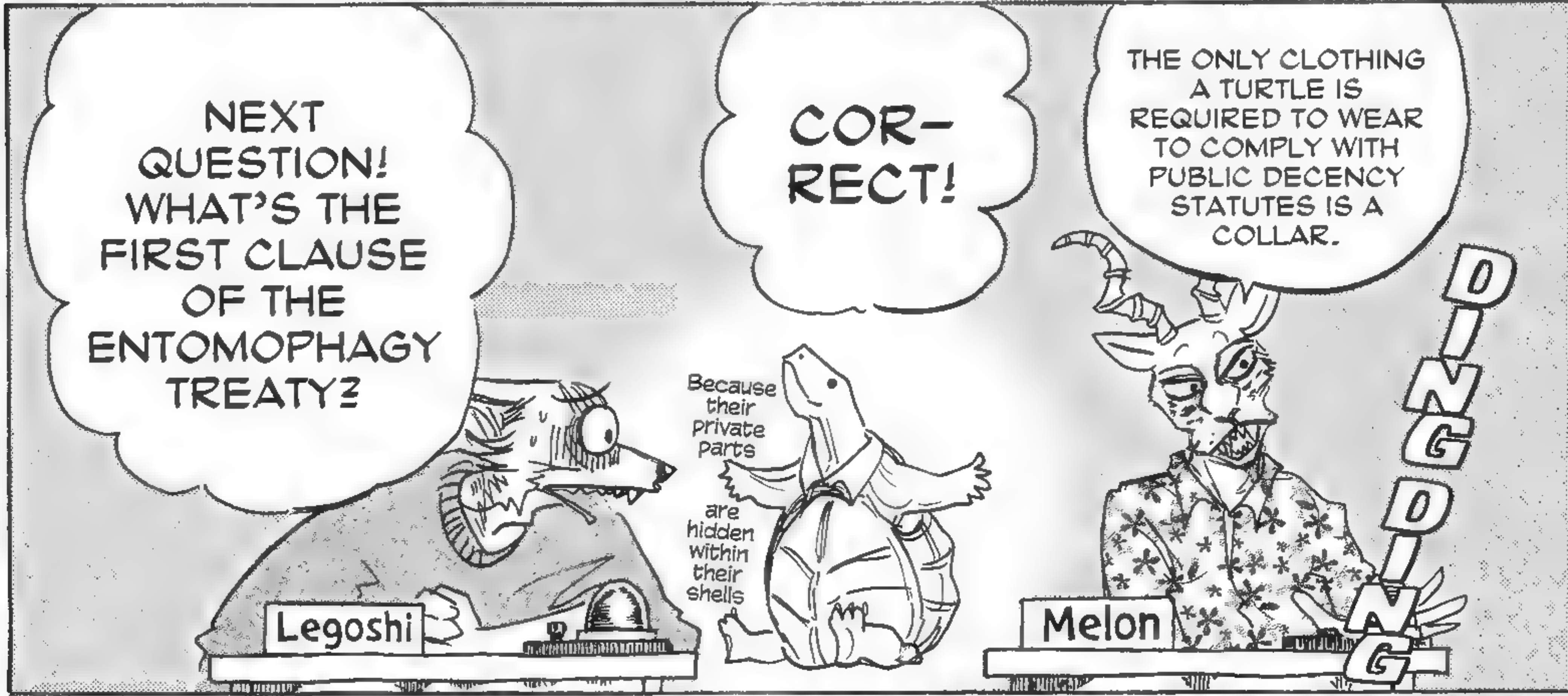
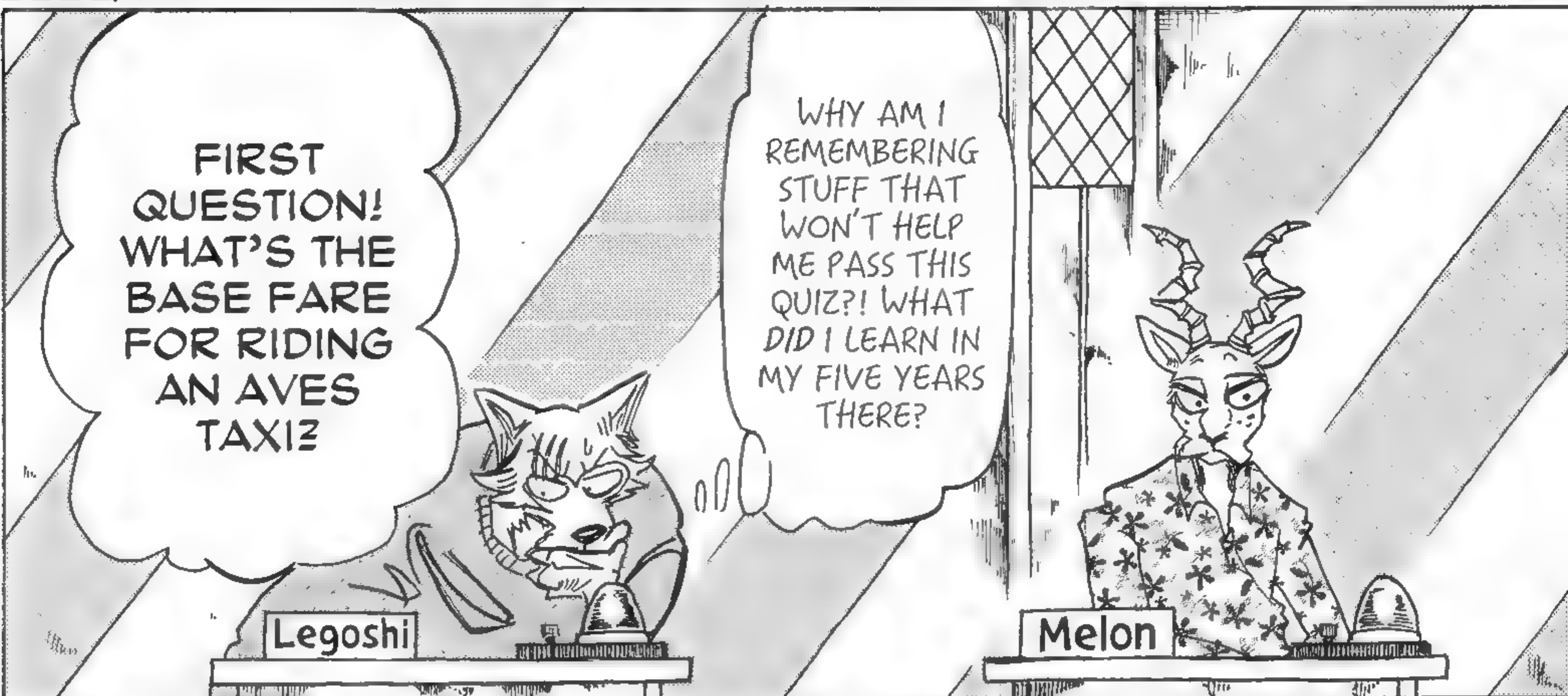
A VIRGIN
DOESN'T
DESERVE
THREE RICE
BALLS.
THIS ONE'S
MINE.

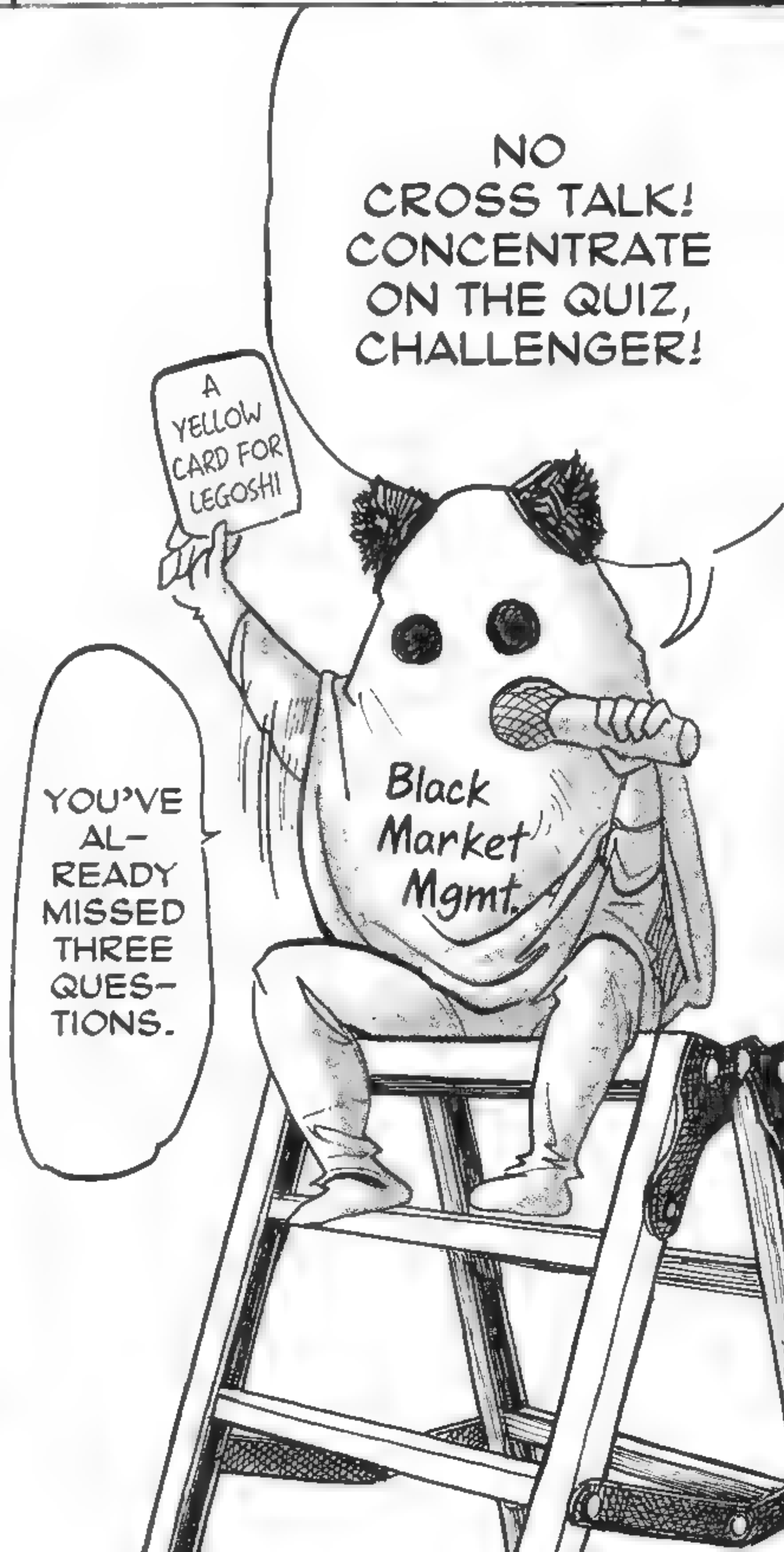
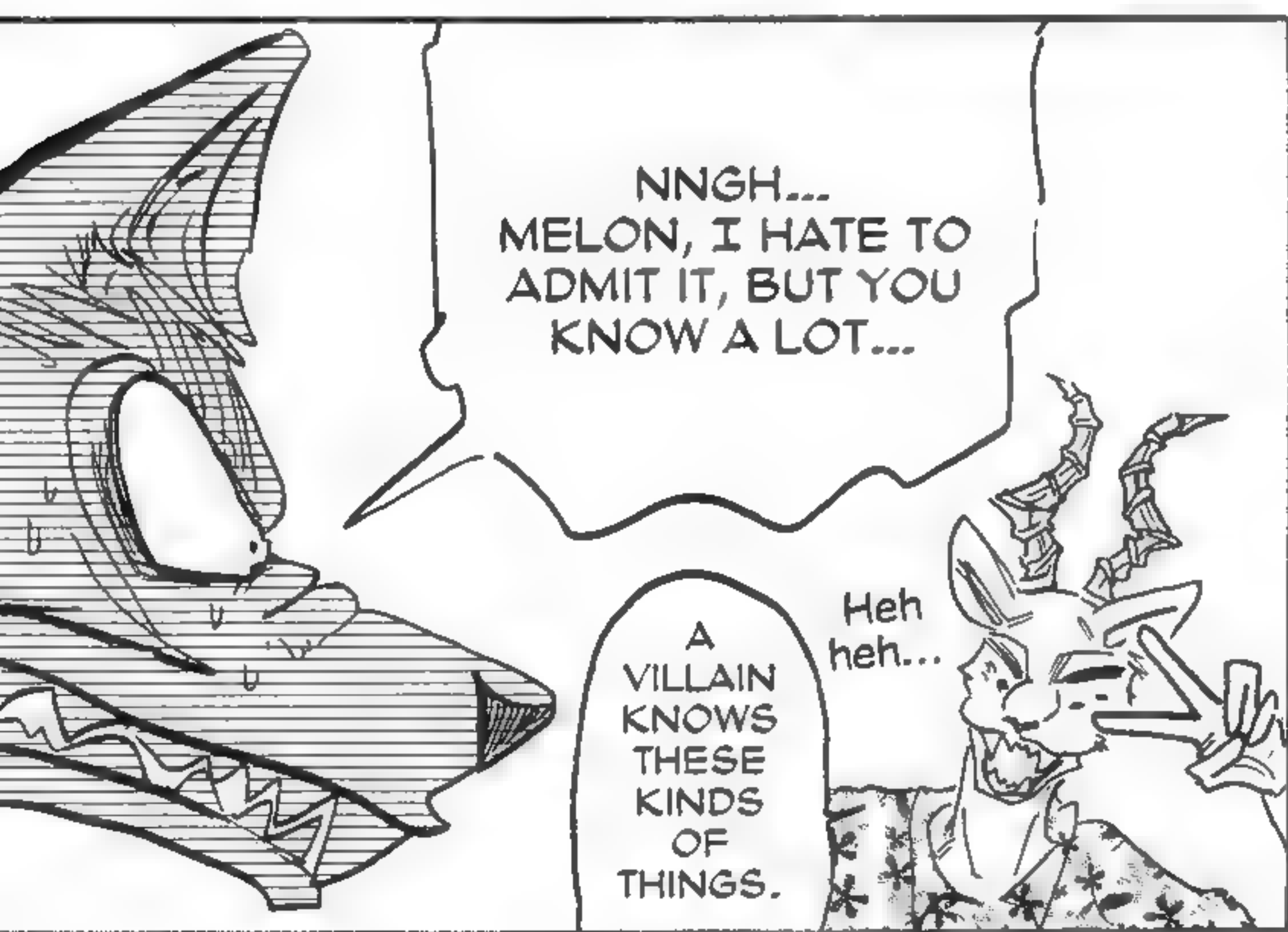
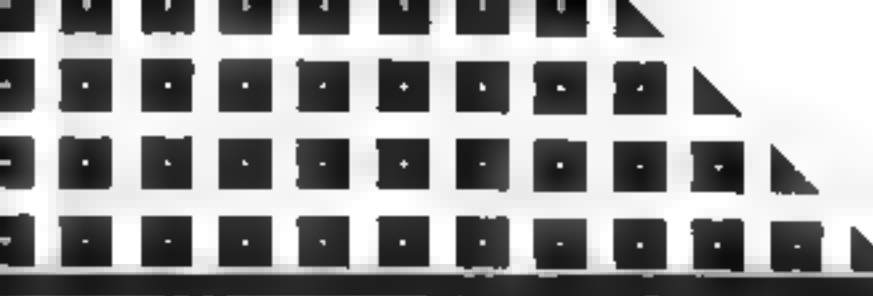
IT'S SO
WARM THE
SUNLIGHT
IS MAKING
MY HAIR
ALL
FLUFFY.

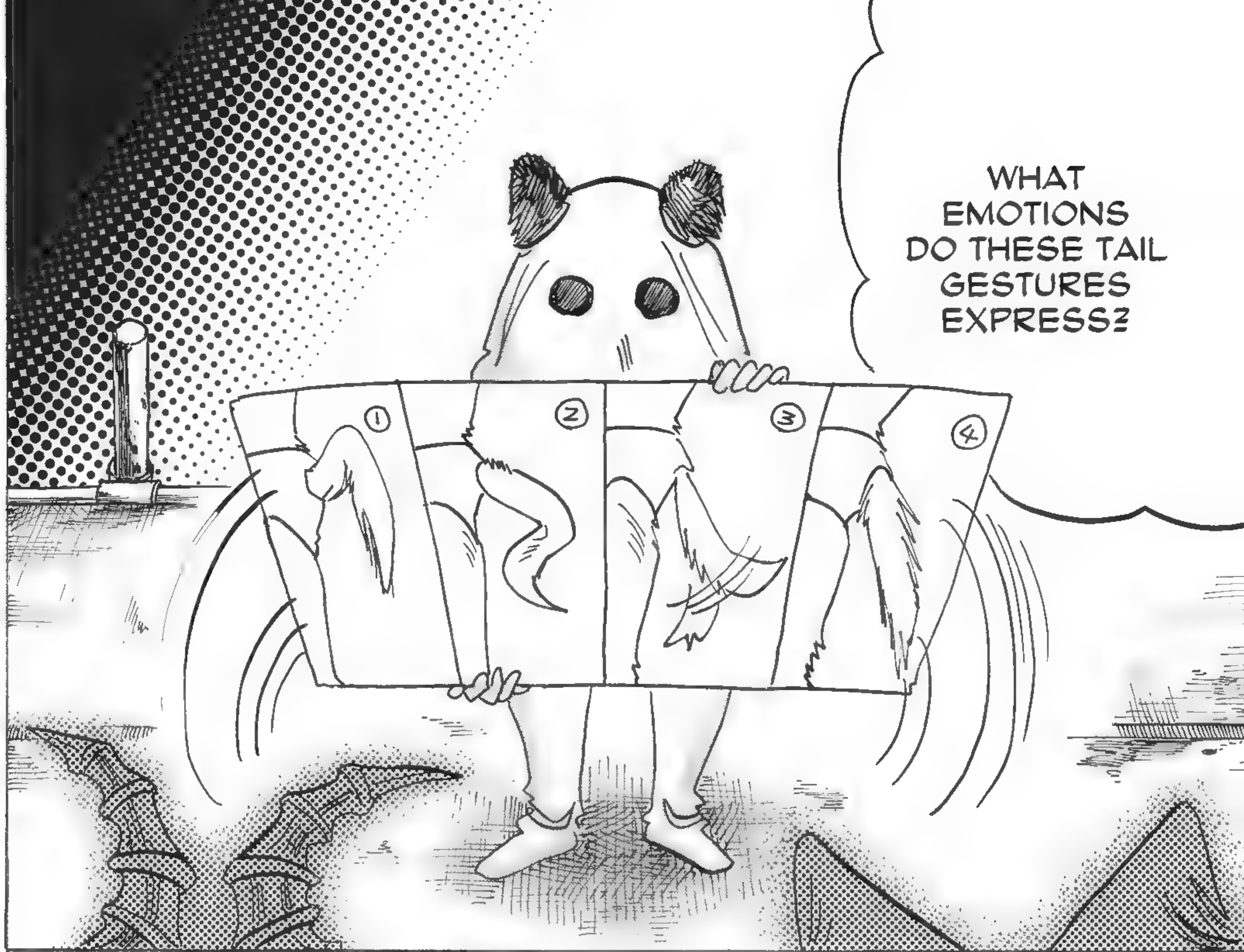
AHHH...
THIS FEELS
GREAT.
WHAT DO
WE NEED
GIRL-
FRIENDS
FOR?

What I
learned...

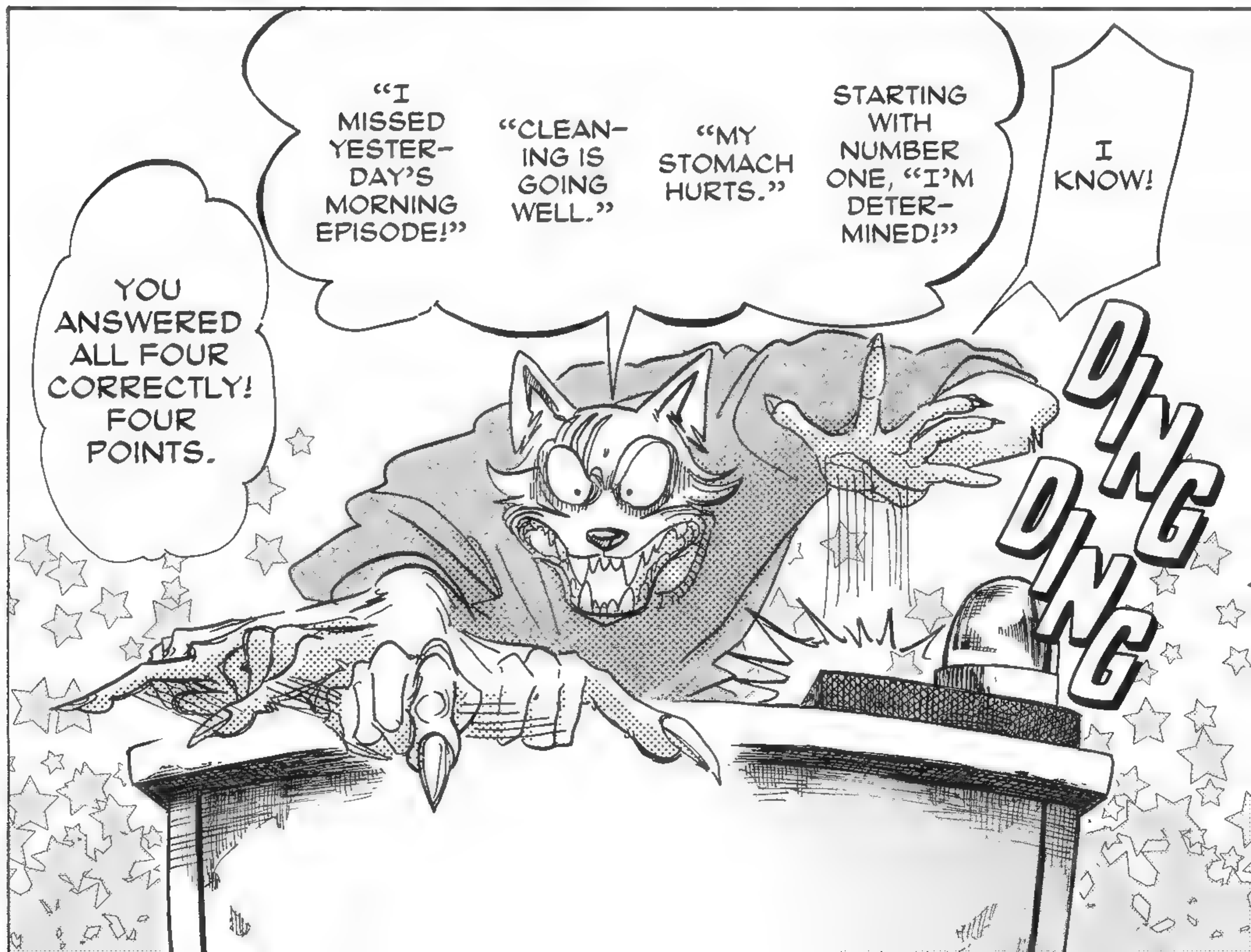
...at
school...?







WHAT
EMOTIONS
DO THESE TAIL
GESTURES
EXPRESS?



"I
MISSED
YESTER-
DAY'S
MORNING
EPISODE!"

"CLEAN-
ING IS
GOING
WELL."

"MY
STOMACH
HURTS."

STARTING
WITH
NUMBER
ONE, "I'M
DETER-
MINED!"

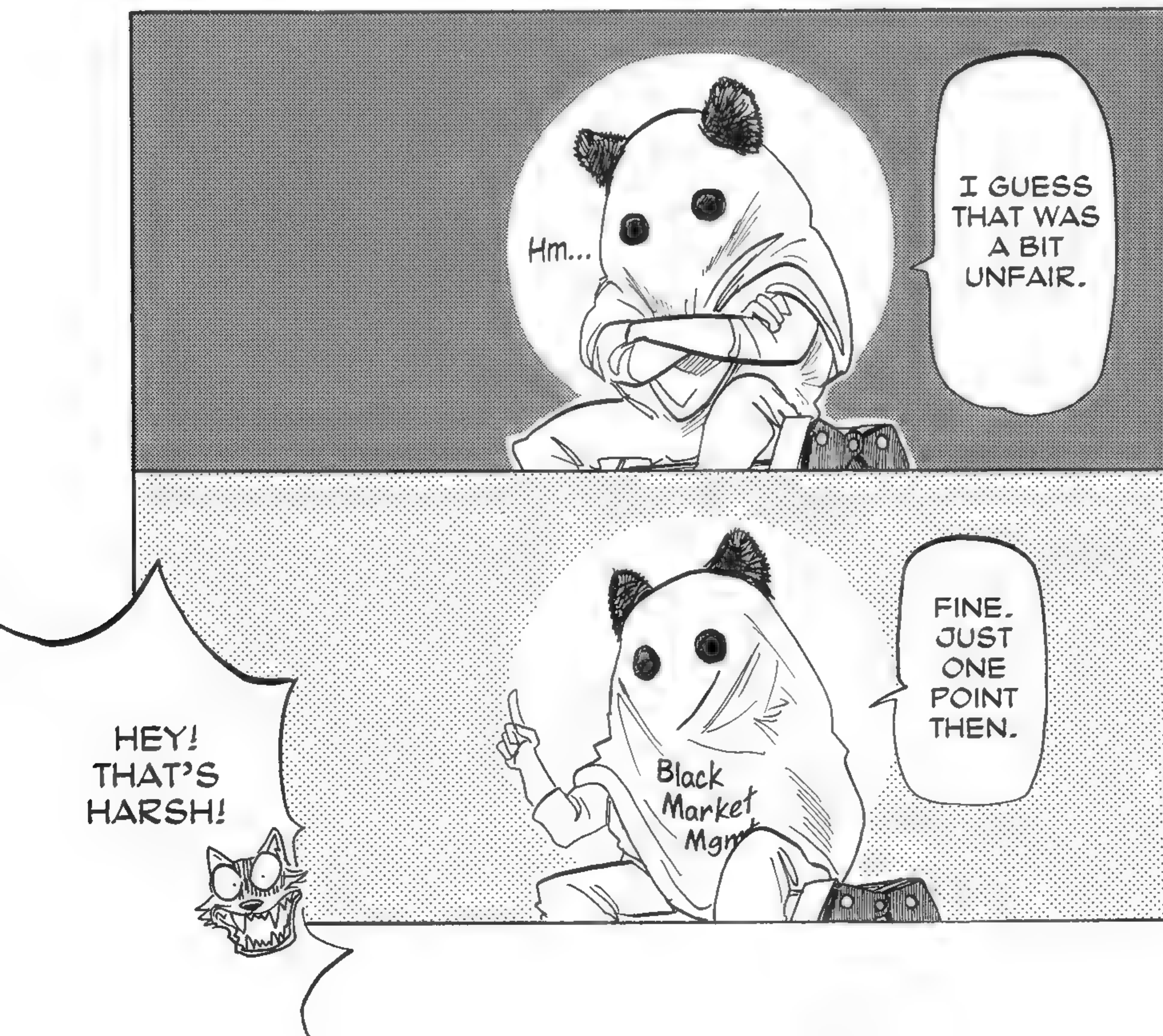
I
KNOW!

YOU
ANSWERED
ALL FOUR
CORRECTLY!
FOUR
POINTS.

DING
DING
DING



*Tail language: Communicating emotions with your tail





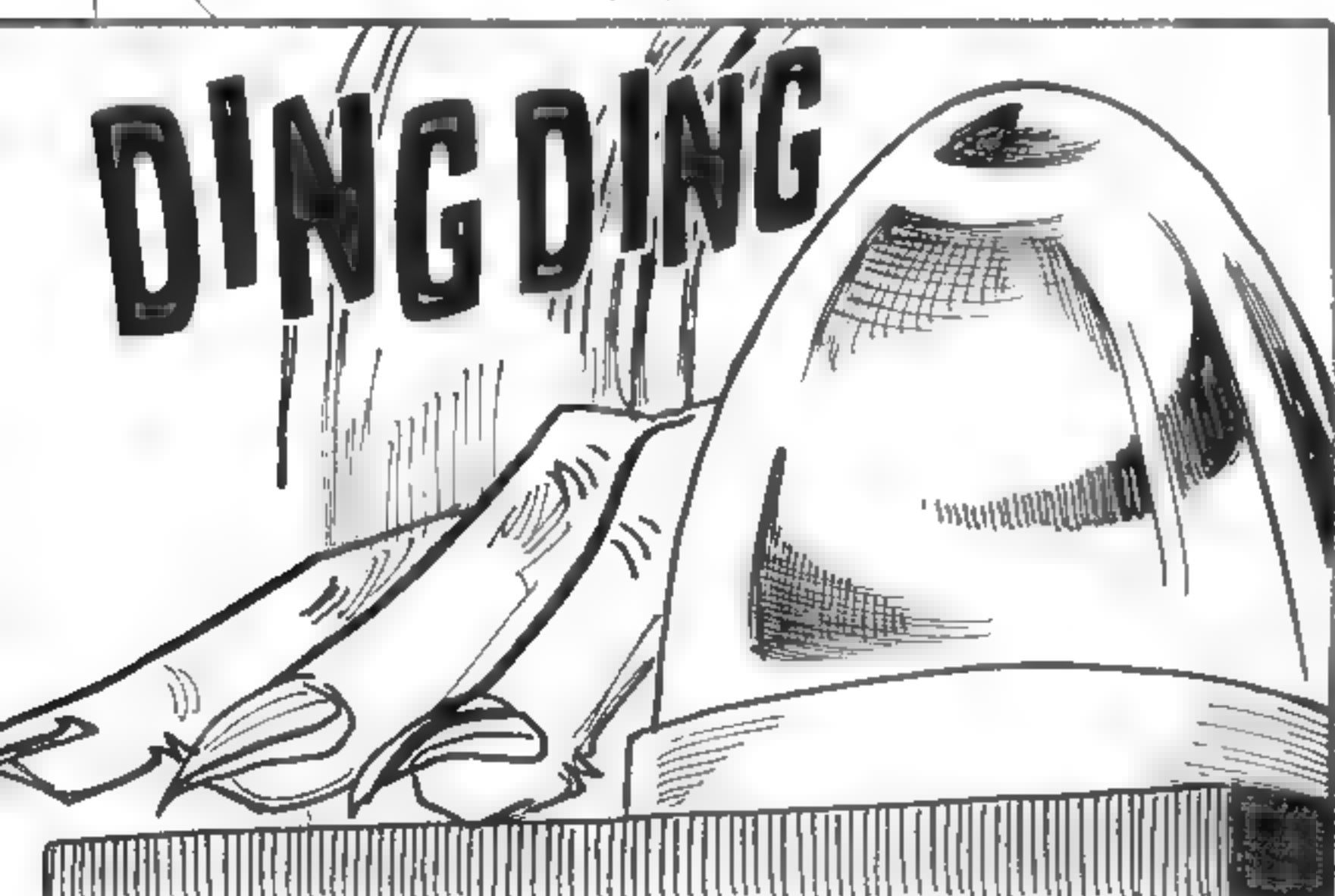
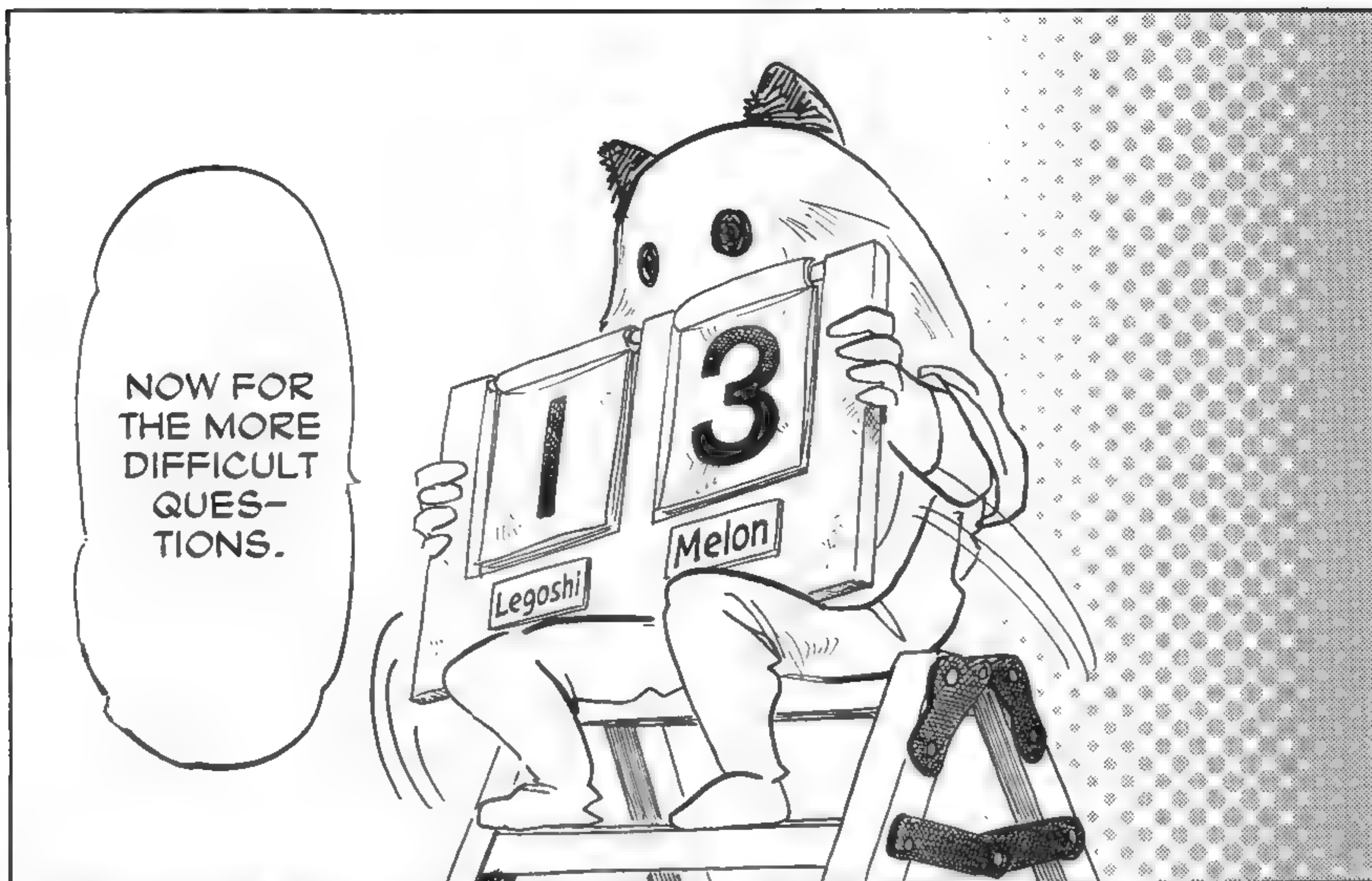
THIS ISN'T
JUST A QUIZ
COMPETITION
AGAINST
MELON.
IT'S A
TEST OF
HOW I'VE
LIVED MY
LIFE...
I HAVE TO
KEEP MY
FOCUS!



AND THAT'S
WHY I'M
GOING TO
BEAT THE
HELL OUT OF
A PRIVILEGED
BEAST LIKE
YOU.

WE
OUTCASTS
ARE
DESPERATE.
BECAUSE
I'M HALF-
CARNIVORE,
HALF-
HERBIVORE,
I HAVE AN
INSATIABLE
THIRST FOR
KNOWLEDGE
ABOUT
EVERY
SPECIES
AND SOCIAL
INSTITUTION.



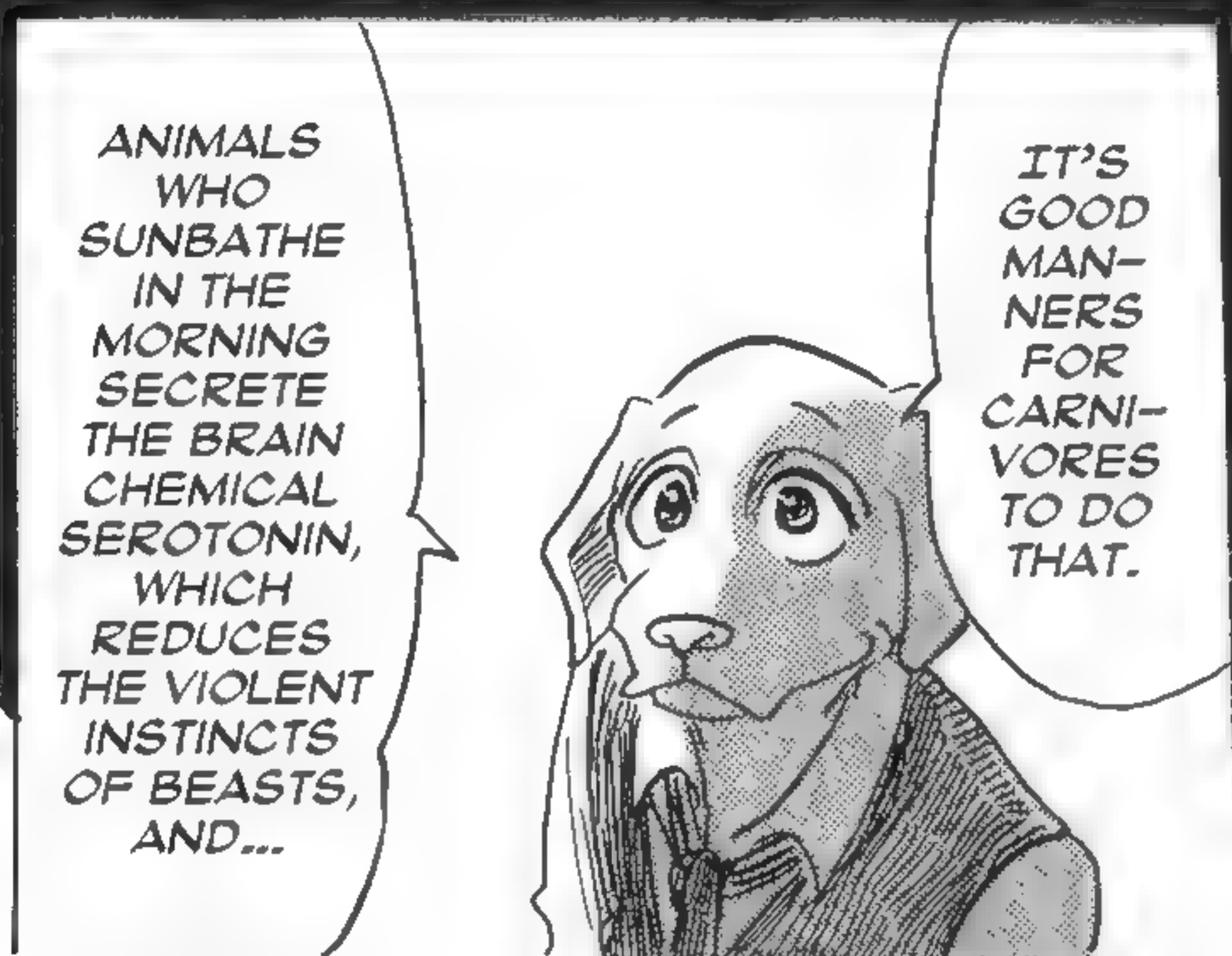






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TELL WHO
I WAS
TALKING TO
JUST NOW?
HUH?
CAN YOU?



ANIMALS
WHO
SUNBATHE
IN THE
MORNING
SECRETE
THE BRAIN
CHEMICAL
SEROTONIN,
WHICH
REDUCES
THE VIOLENT
INSTINCTS
OF BEASTS,
AND...

IT'S
GOOD
MAN-
NERS
FOR
CARNI-
VORES
TO DO
THAT.



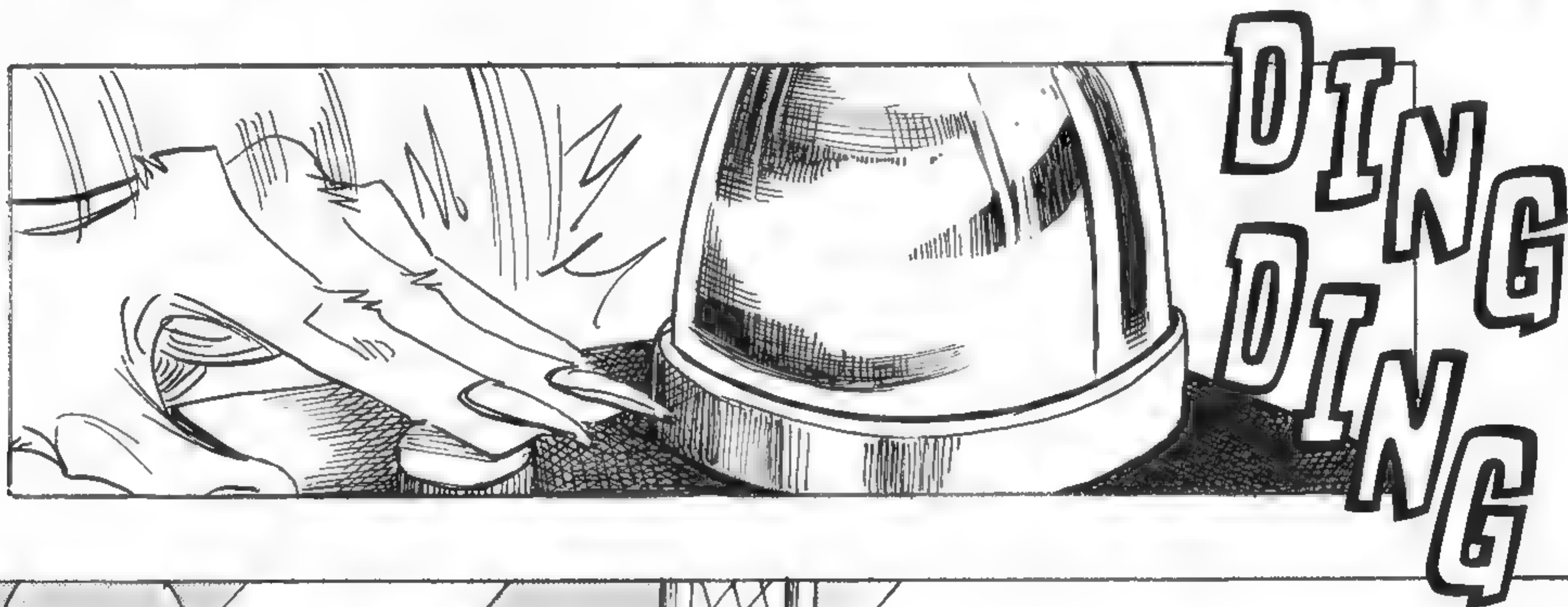
WERE
YOU
TALK-
ING TO
A MALE
GOAT?

WE
OFTEN
HANG OUT
OR PLAY
WITH
HERBI-
VORES
IN THE
MORNING.



UM...
BECAUSE
EVERYONE'S
IN A GOOD
MOOD AFTER
SUNBATHING
IN THE
MORNING!

I GUESS
THAT'S CLOSE
ENOUGH.
CORRECT!





BILL!

A VIRGIN
DOESN'T
DESERVE
THREE RICE
BALLS.
THIS ONE'S
MINE.



YOU ATE
THE KELP
RICE BALL
I WAS
SAVING
FOR LAST!

STARE

HEH
HEH...
THIS IS
REALLY
GOOD.



IT'S
WHEN
THEY'RE
HAVING
FUN
WITH...
A CLOSE
FRIEND!

IT'S
NOT
WHEN
THEY'VE
EATEN
SOME-
THING
THEY
LIKE...





MELON...
I WANT
TO
UNDER-
STAND...

THAT'S
WHAT I
MEANT.

I WANT
TO KNOW
THINGS THAT
GROWN-UPS
KNOW.

Melon

Legoshi

pe

Horn Mea
Mesta



Com

pe

December Ha
Turf War


Meat Day
Antants

boku-
gunai

Mad
qu

UH-
OH...





YOU'RE
SUCH A
BLEED-
ING
HEART...




TH-
THANK
YOU,
MELON...




JUST
LET HIM
COMPETE
IN THE
TURF WAR
ALREADY
!



We're
worried.



ENOUGH!
I DECLARE
THIS MATCH
INVALID!



I DIDN'T
WANT YOU
SKEWERED
HERE
BECAUSE...







THIS IS THE
LAST SHEET.
MY LAST
CHANCE.

DO I
EVEN
HAVE ANY
STATION-
ERY
LEFT?

I'LL
START
OVER
AGAIN.
BUT IF I
MESS UP
THIS TIME,
I'M GIVING
UP.

Dear Mr. Goh

To my master



I'M
NOT GOOD
AT WRITING.
I'VE NEVER
BEEN TO
SCHOOL.

MIS...
TER...
GO...

...
HIN.

ARGH.

Dear Mr. Gohin,

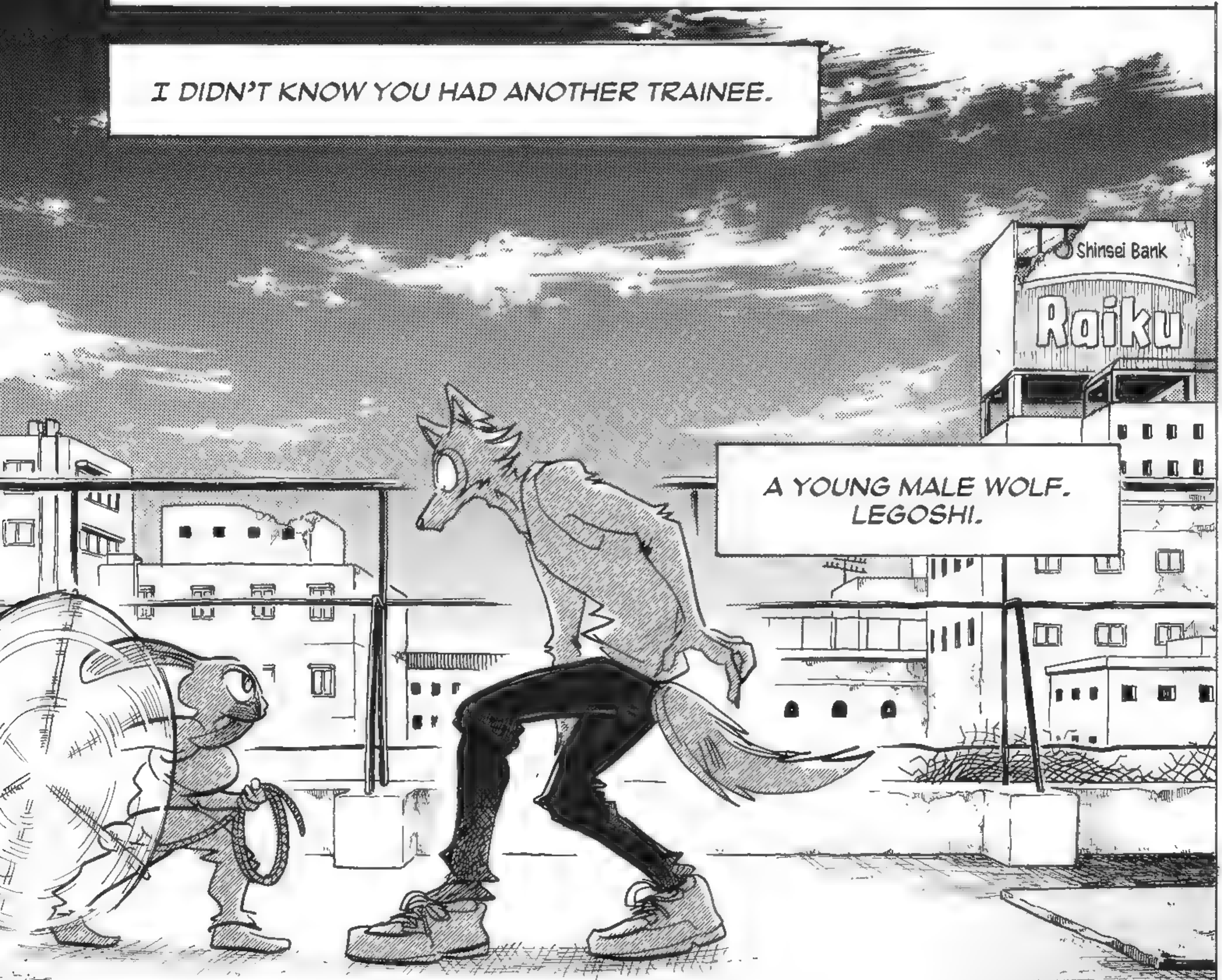
How are you? This is Kyu.

Are you surprised to hear from me out of the blue? I'm not surprised.

Because I'm the one sending this letter.

By the way, there's something I was hoping you could clear up for me.

I DIDN'T KNOW YOU HAD ANOTHER TRAINEE.



A YOUNG MALE WOLF.
LEGOSHI.

IT'S A HARD NAME TO REMEMBER.

I'M TRAINING HIM BECAUSE I'VE GOT
MORE EXPERIENCE, BUT...

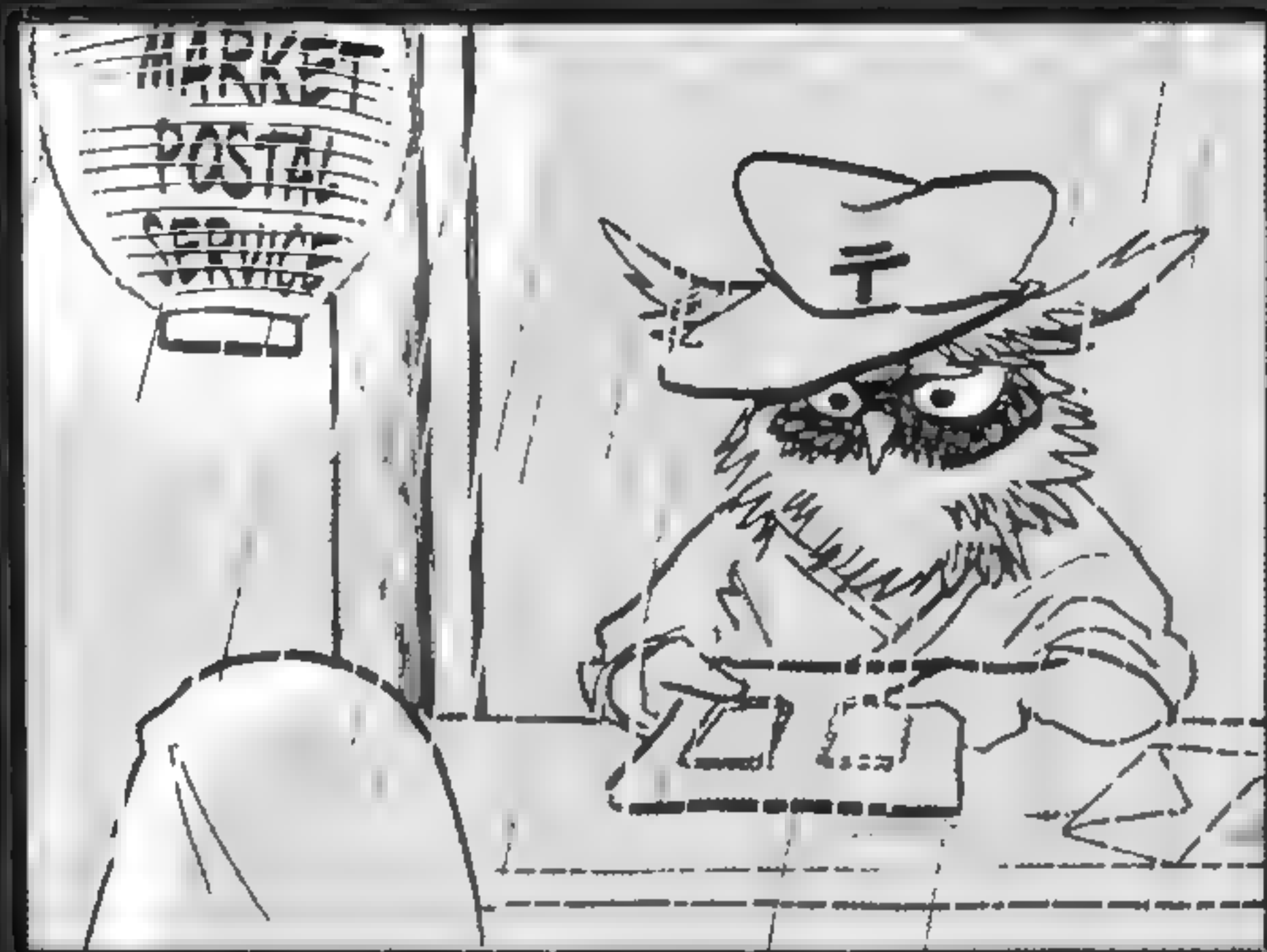


...HE WON'T FIGHT BACK BECAUSE
I'M FEMALE AND AN HERBIVORE,
SO THE TRAINING ISN'T WORKING.

JUST THOUGHT YOU SHOULD
KNOW.



DELIVER
THIS
LETTER
TO MR.
GOHIN AT
THE PANDA
PSYCHIATRIC
CLINIC.



THE
BLUE
STAMP!

WOULD
YOU LIKE A
BLUE STAMP
OR A PINK
STAMP?

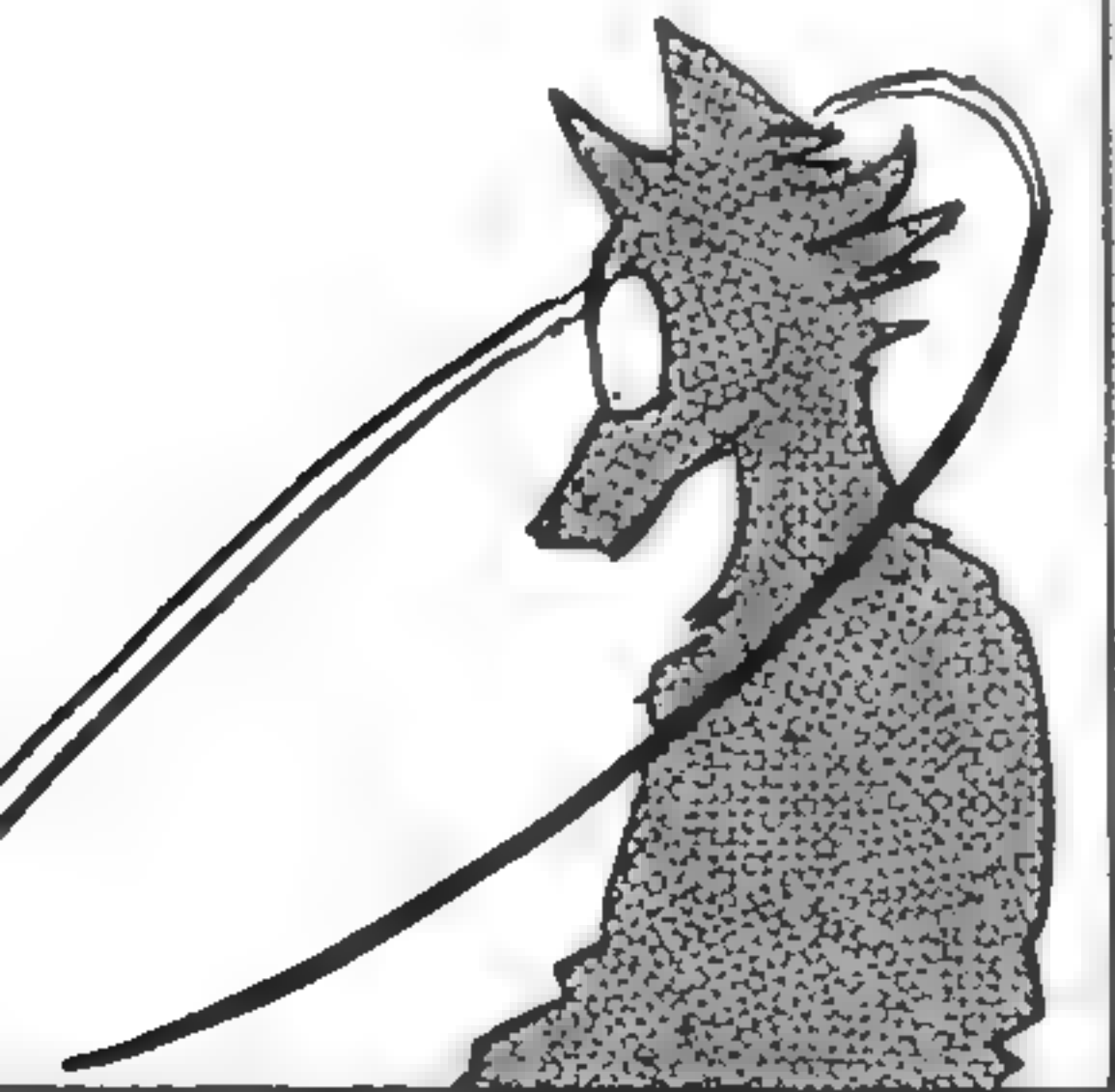


THERE'S
NO WAY I'D
EVER PICK
PINK.

OF
COURSE
I WANT
THE BLUE
ONE.

FROM KYU (YOUR FIRST STUDENT)

FWSH



YOU WENT
TO ALL THE
TROUBLE OF
WRITING AND
MAILING A
LETTER TO
HIM. YOU
MUST REALLY
CARE FOR
HIM.

I
THOUGHT
I SHOULD
KEEP MY
MASTER
POSTED.

I SEE...
YOU SENT
A LETTER
TO GOHIN,
HUH?



GAHHH
!

WHAT'RE
YOU
SAYING
?

THAT I
WROTE TO
HIM OUT
OF SOME
ULTERIOR
MOTIVE?

I'D
FORGOTTEN
ALL ABOUT
HIM UNTIL YOU
SHOWED
UP!

YOU THINK I
HAVE A THING
FOR HIM BE-
CAUSE HE'S
POWERFUL
AND I'M A
WEAK FEMALE
RABBIT?

GAKK...
WHAT?
NO...





...THAN
A
WOLF.

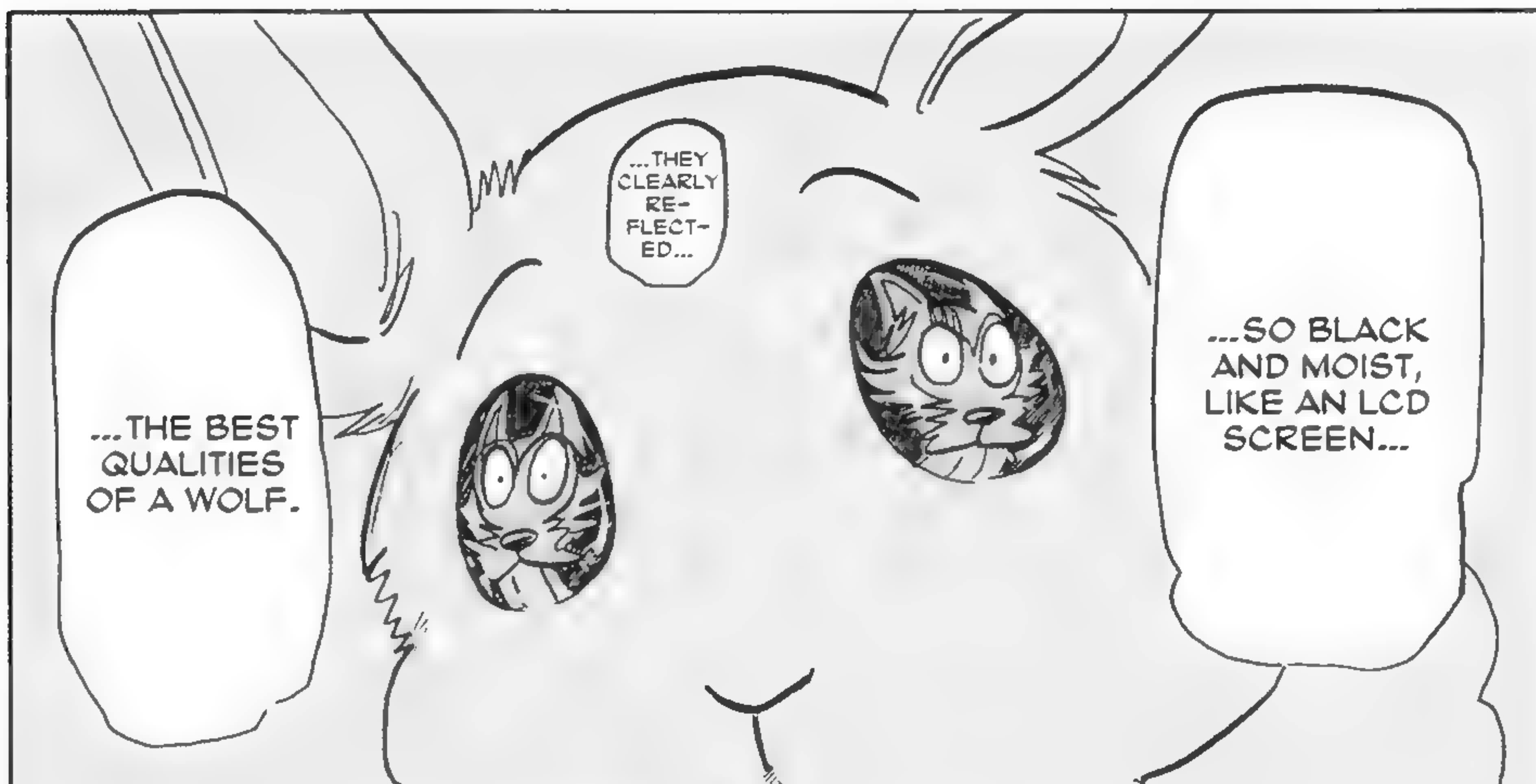
IT'S
ONLY
THROUGH
A RABBIT
THAT I
FEEL
CONFIDENT.
A RABBIT
GIVES
ME MUCH
MORE
POWER...

...DOESN'T
GIVE ME
CONFIDENCE.

...THE BODY
I WAS BORN
WITH...

WHEN
I
SAW
MY-
SELF
...

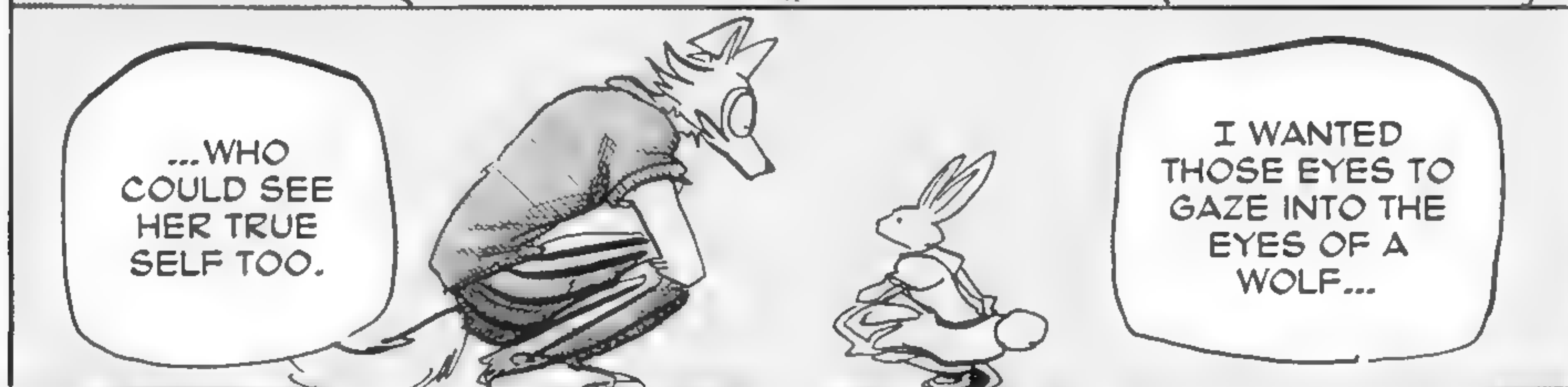
...IN
THOSE
JET-
BLACK
EYES...



...THE BEST
QUALITIES
OF A WOLF.

...THEY
CLEARLY
RE-
FLECT-
ED...

...SO BLACK
AND MOIST,
LIKE AN LCD
SCREEN...



...WHO
COULD SEE
HER TRUE
SELF TOO.

I WANTED
THOSE EYES TO
GAZE INTO THE
EYES OF A
WOLF...

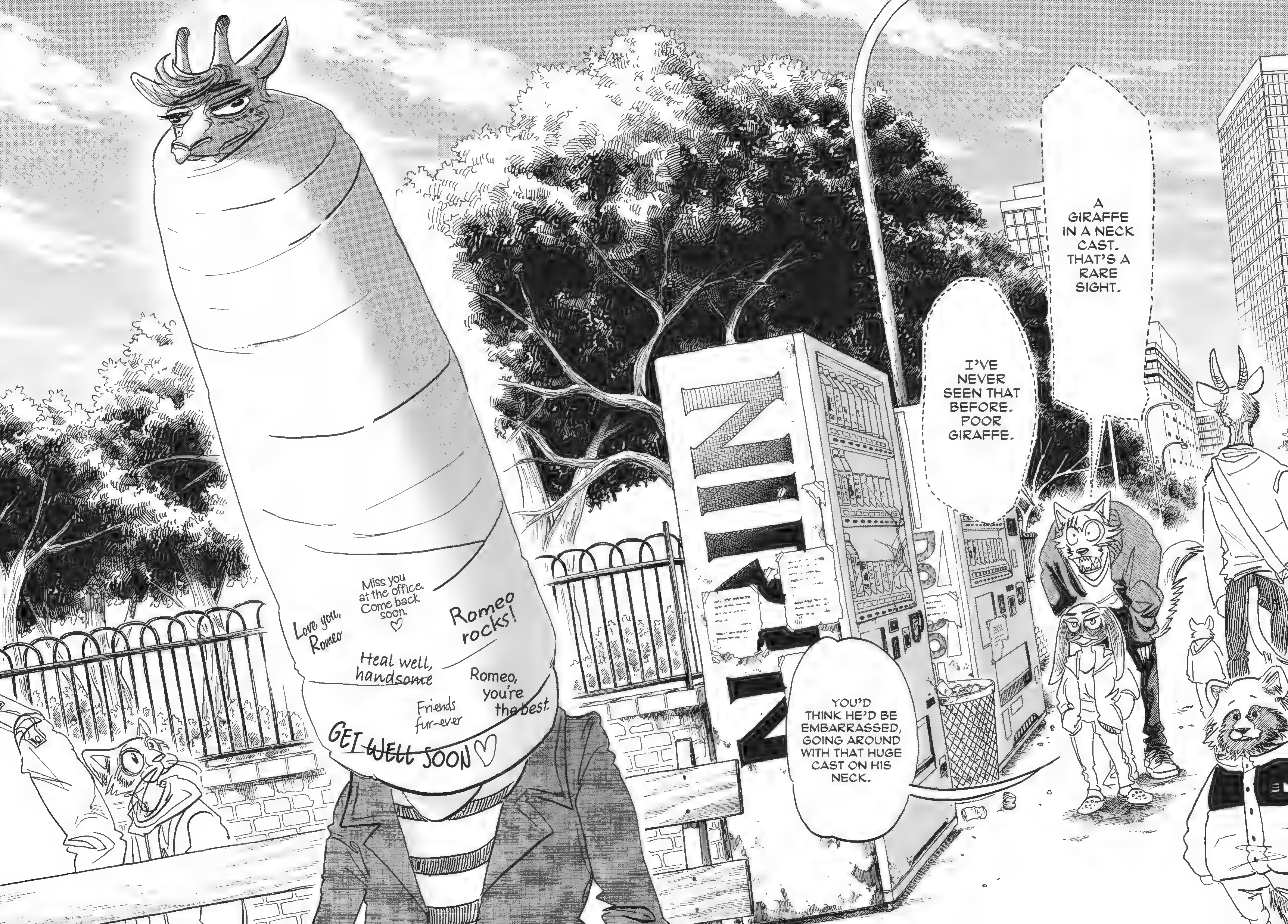


I DON'T
THINK I CAN
BE ANY MORE
CONFIDENT,
EVEN IF I GET
SKILLFUL
ENOUGH TO
DEFEAT YOU.
WHAT MORE
CAN I DO?

I'M IN
LOVE WITH
A RABBIT.





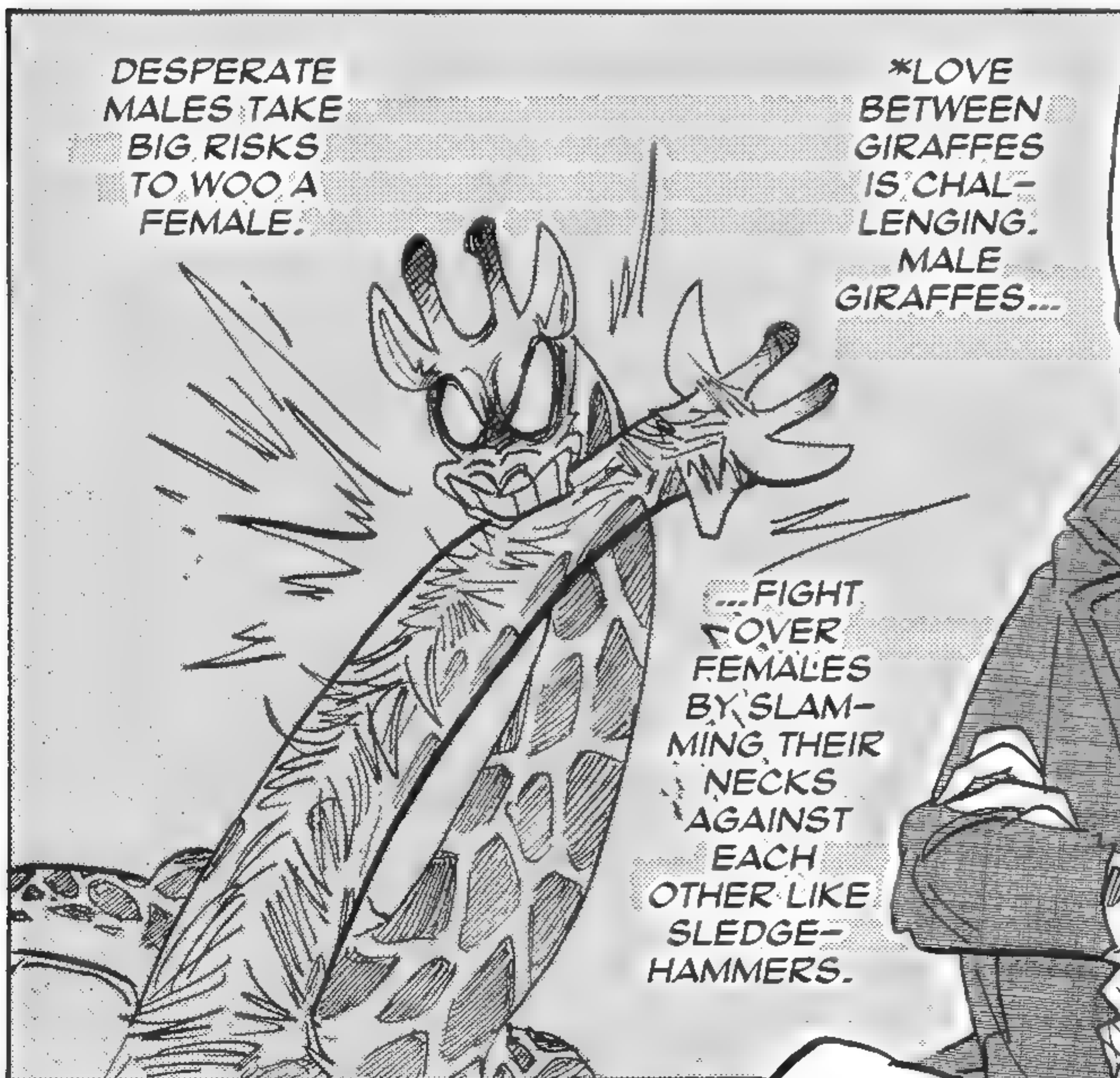
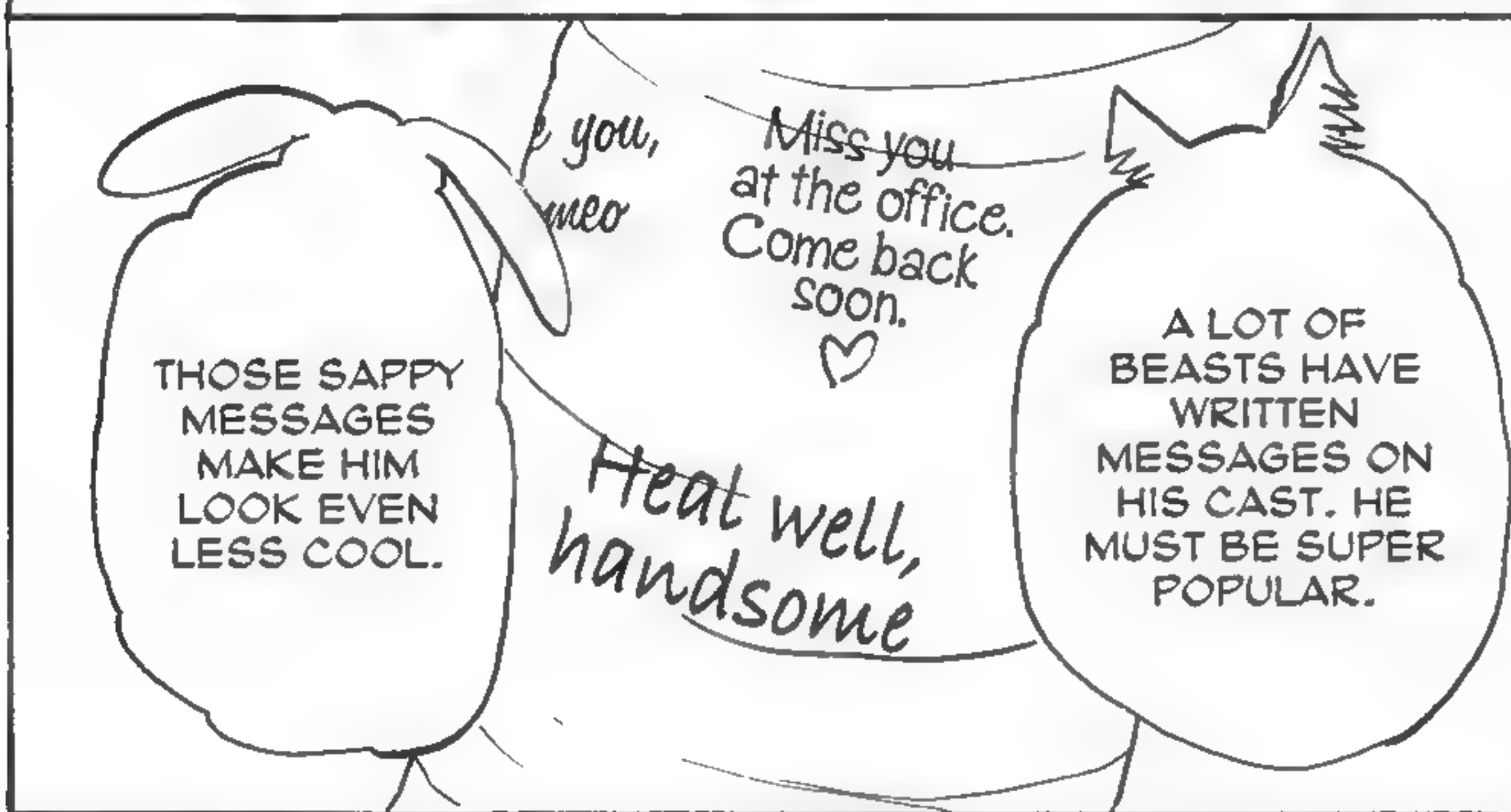
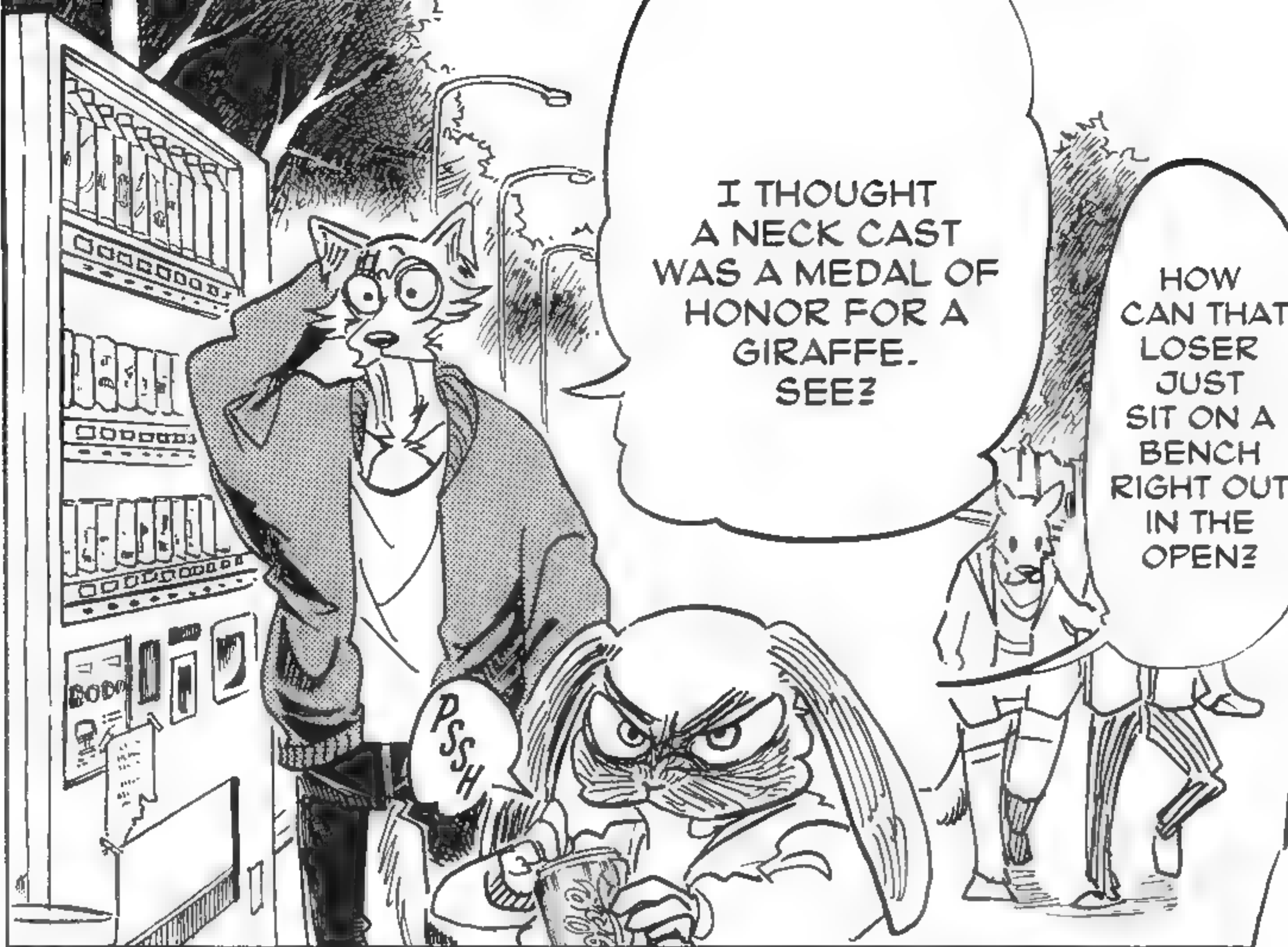


A GIRAFFE IN A NECK CAST. THAT'S A RARE SIGHT.

I'VE NEVER SEEN THAT BEFORE. POOR GIRAFFE.

YOU'D THINK HE'D BE EMBARRASSED, GOING AROUND WITH THAT HUGE CAST ON HIS NECK.

Love you, Romeo
Miss you at the office. Come back soon.
Romeo rocks!
Heal well, handsome
Romeo, you're the best.
Friends fur-ever
GET WELL SOON

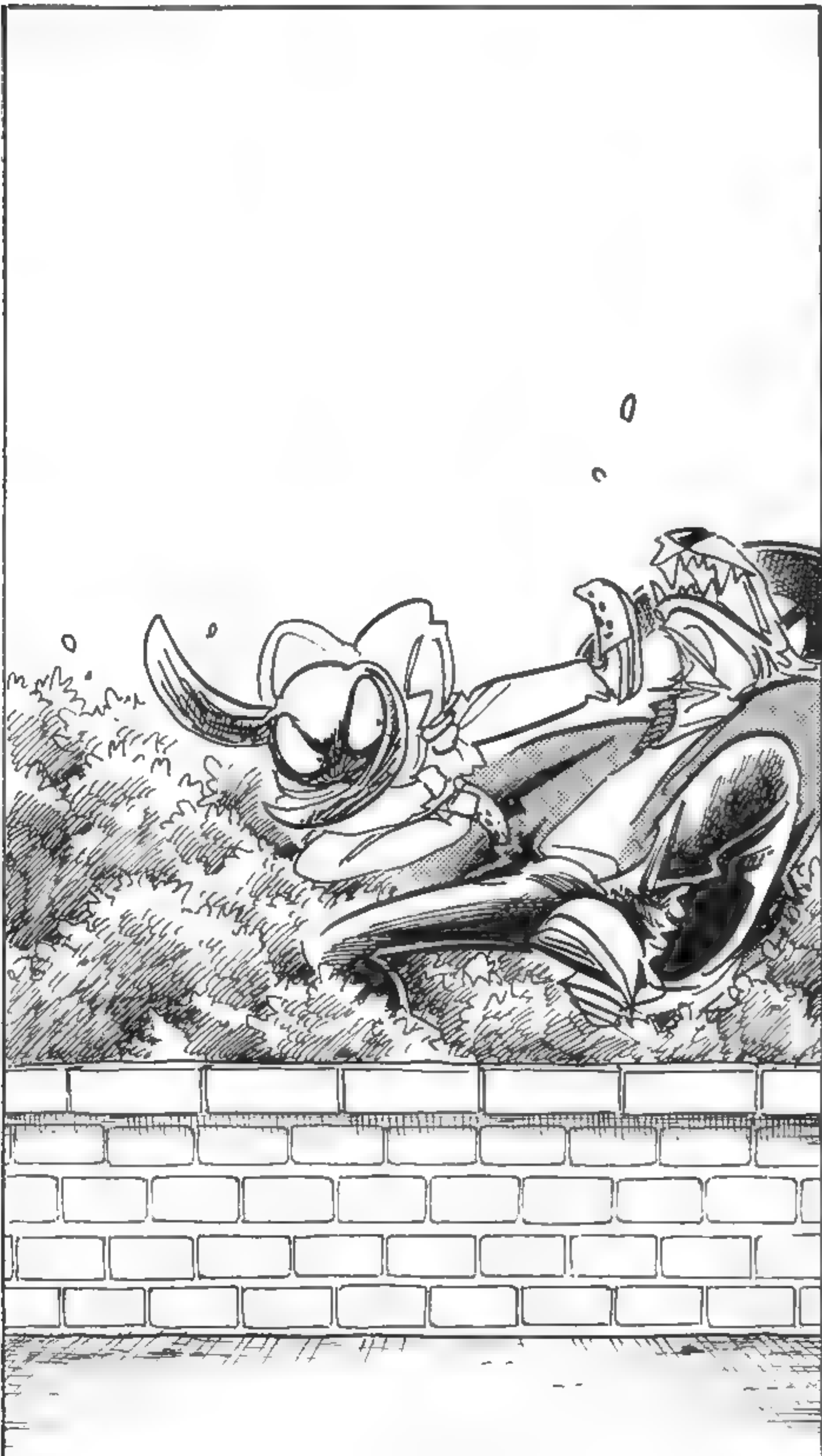














KYU,
DON'T
HURT AN
HERBI-
VORE.



LOOKS LIKE
THIS IS THE
PERFECT
TRAINING
REGIMEN
FOR YOU!



I CAN TELL
FROM THE
LOOK ON
YOUR FACE
THAT YOU'RE
GOING TO
SUCCEED!

To be
contin-
ued...



Legoshi's sideburns



Legoshi likes
to sleep on
his side.



HOW COME THE
SHAPE OF YOUR
FACIAL HAIR IS
DIFFERENT IN THE
MORNING?

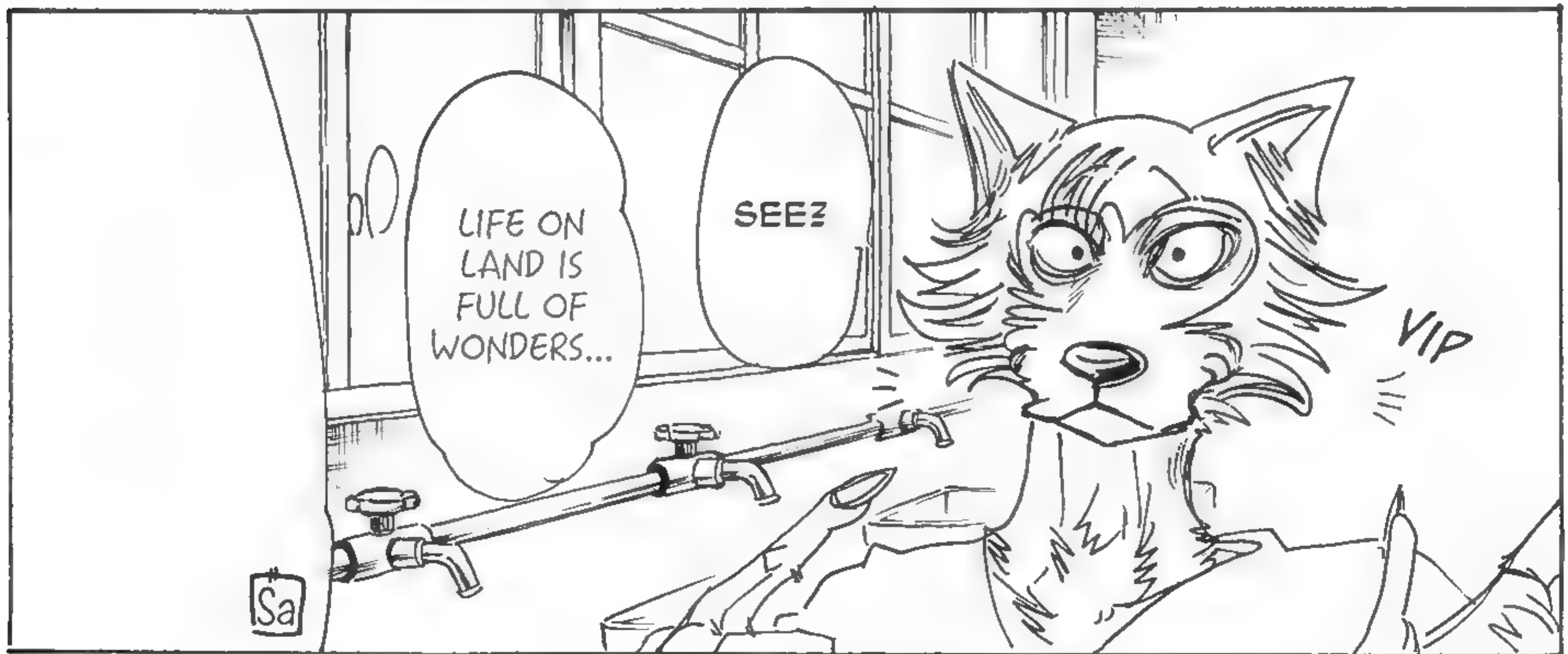
Myste-
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V shape



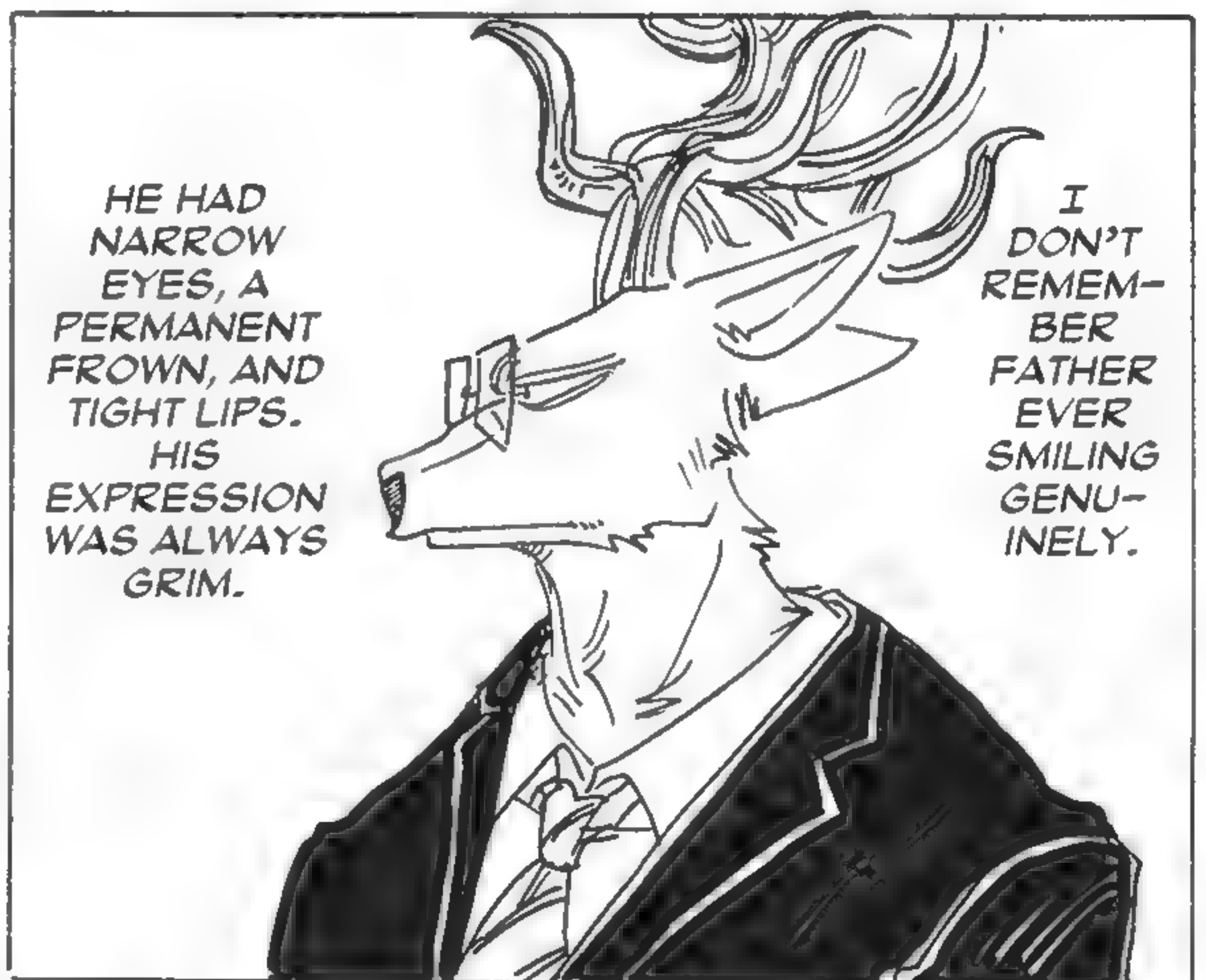
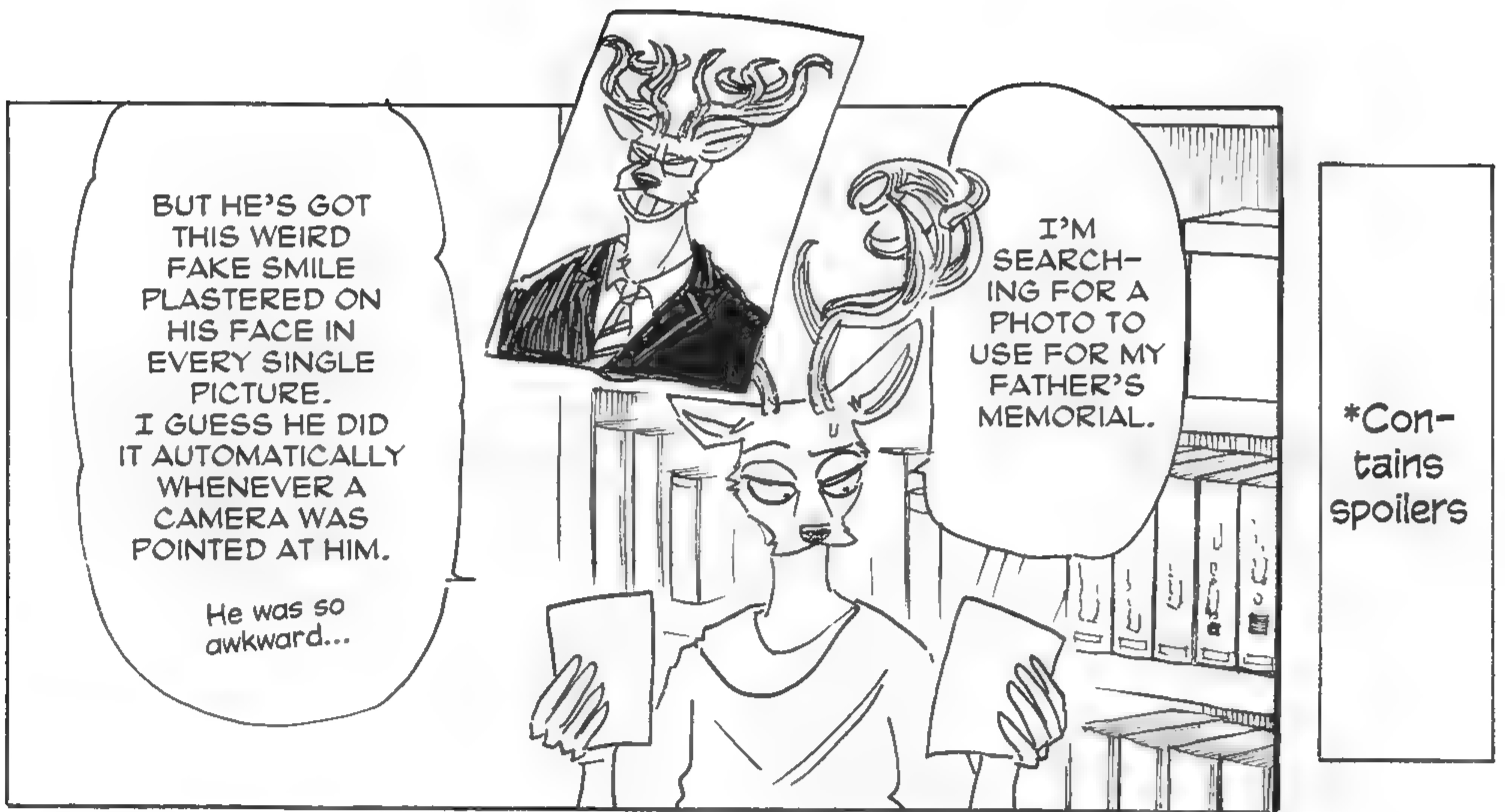
MORNING,
LEGOSHI.
OH!

MORN-
ING,
SAG-
WAN!

His face
is a little
puffy when he
gets out of bed.



← Warning: The following bonus pages contain spoilers (if you haven't read this volume yet)!



**HIS
FACE.**

YES.
I THOUGHT
PERHAPS YOU
TOOK ONE LOOK
AT EACH OTHER
AND HAD A
MUTUAL UNDER-
STANDING.

YOU WANT
TO KNOW
WHY I
CHOSE THIS
FAWN?



I DON'T
WANT AN HEIR
WHO LOOKS LIKE
ME. MY BEADY
EYES HAVE BEEN
A DISADVANTAGE
PROFESSION-
ALLY.



INITIALLY,
I CHOSE
HIM
BECAUSE
HE'S
HANDSOME.

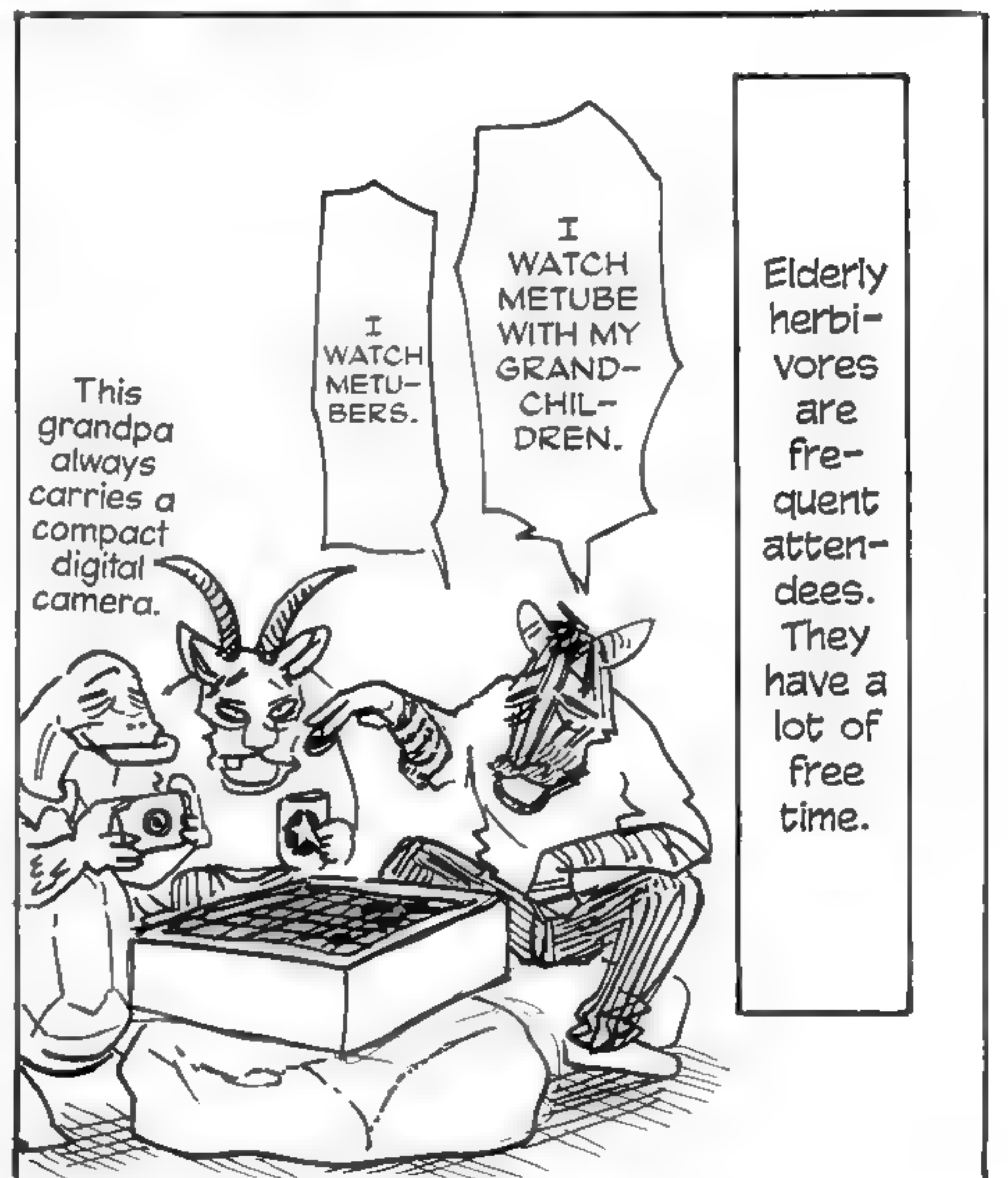
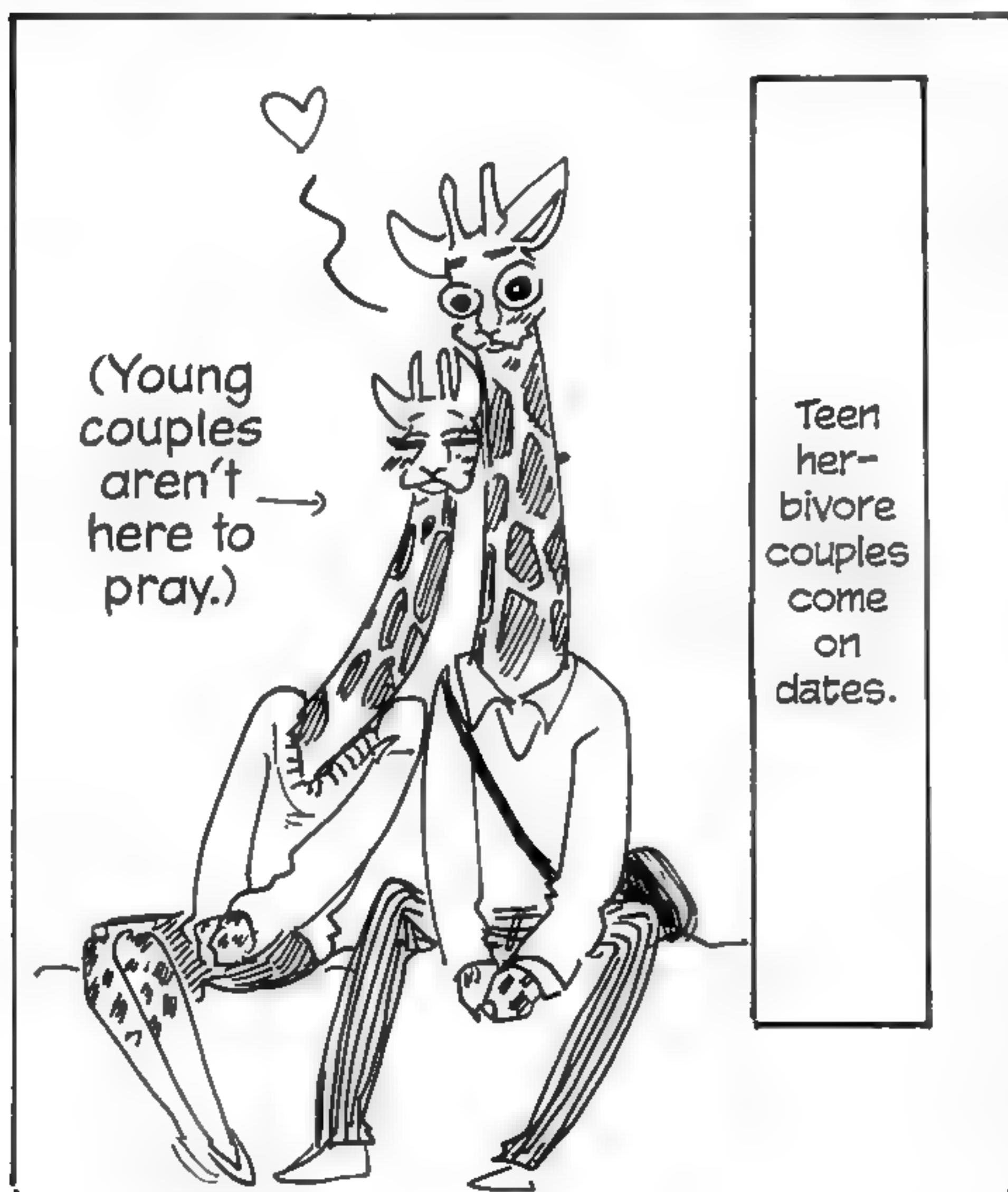
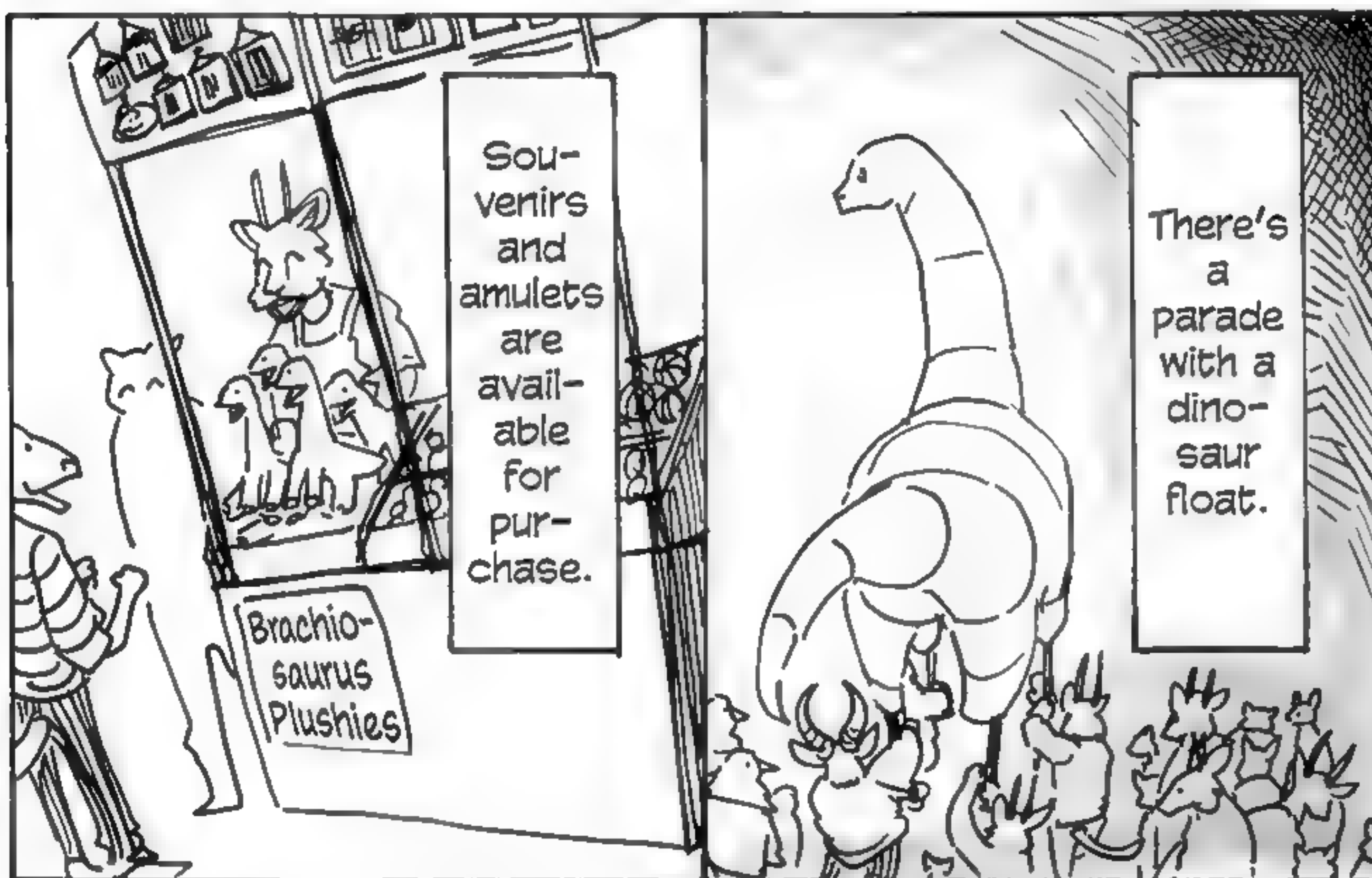
SO I
WAS
CHOSEN
BASED
ON MY
LOOKS?

I
don't
know
how
to
feel
about
that...



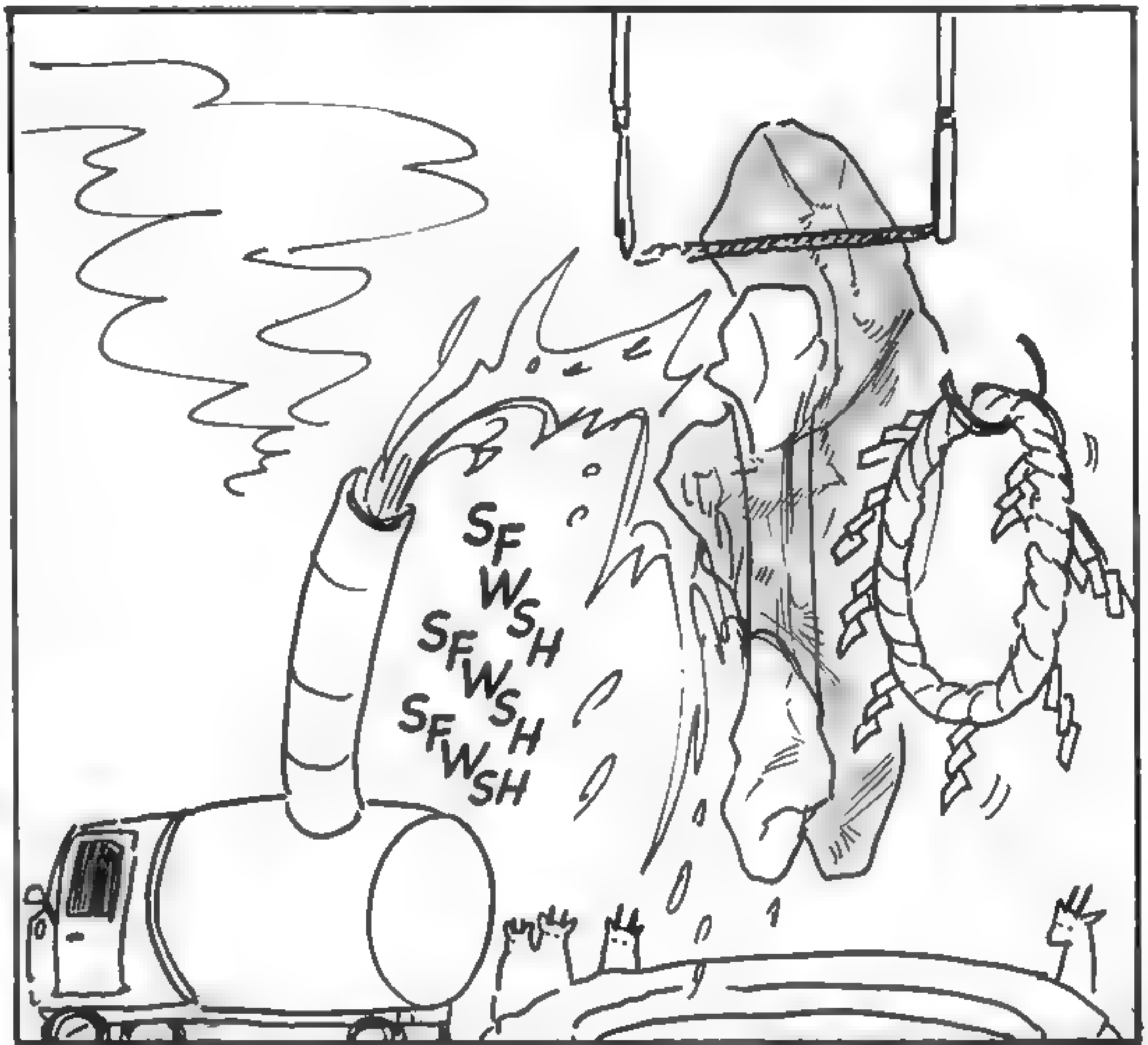
THAT'S WHAT
HE SAID...
SO USE YOUR
ATTRACTIVENESS
TO YOUR
ADVANTAGE.







At the end of the festival, boiling water is streamed over the *Brachiosaurus* bone to thaw it out of the ice. Then it's put away in a box and stored in a warehouse.

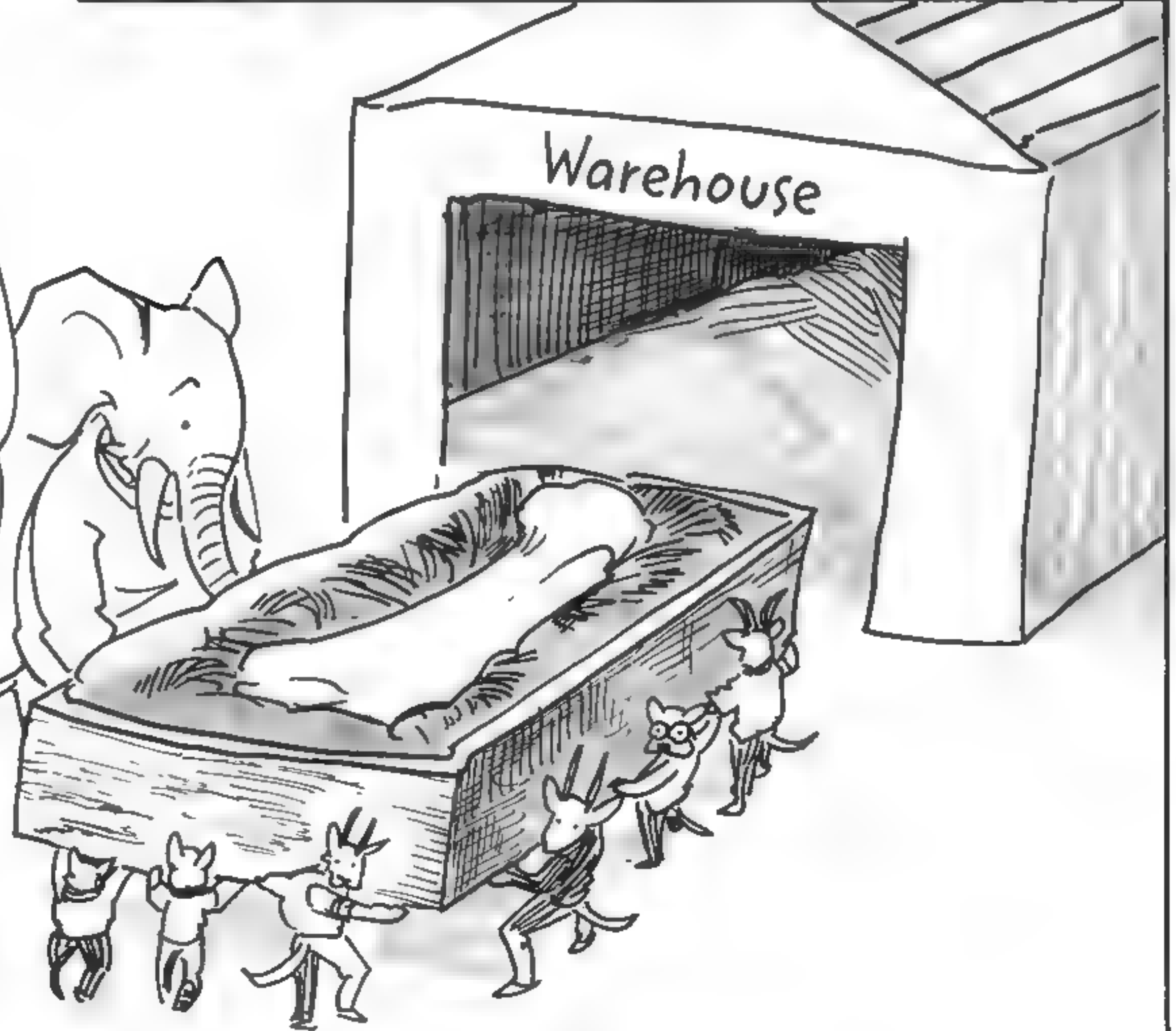


IT IS SUR-REAL ...

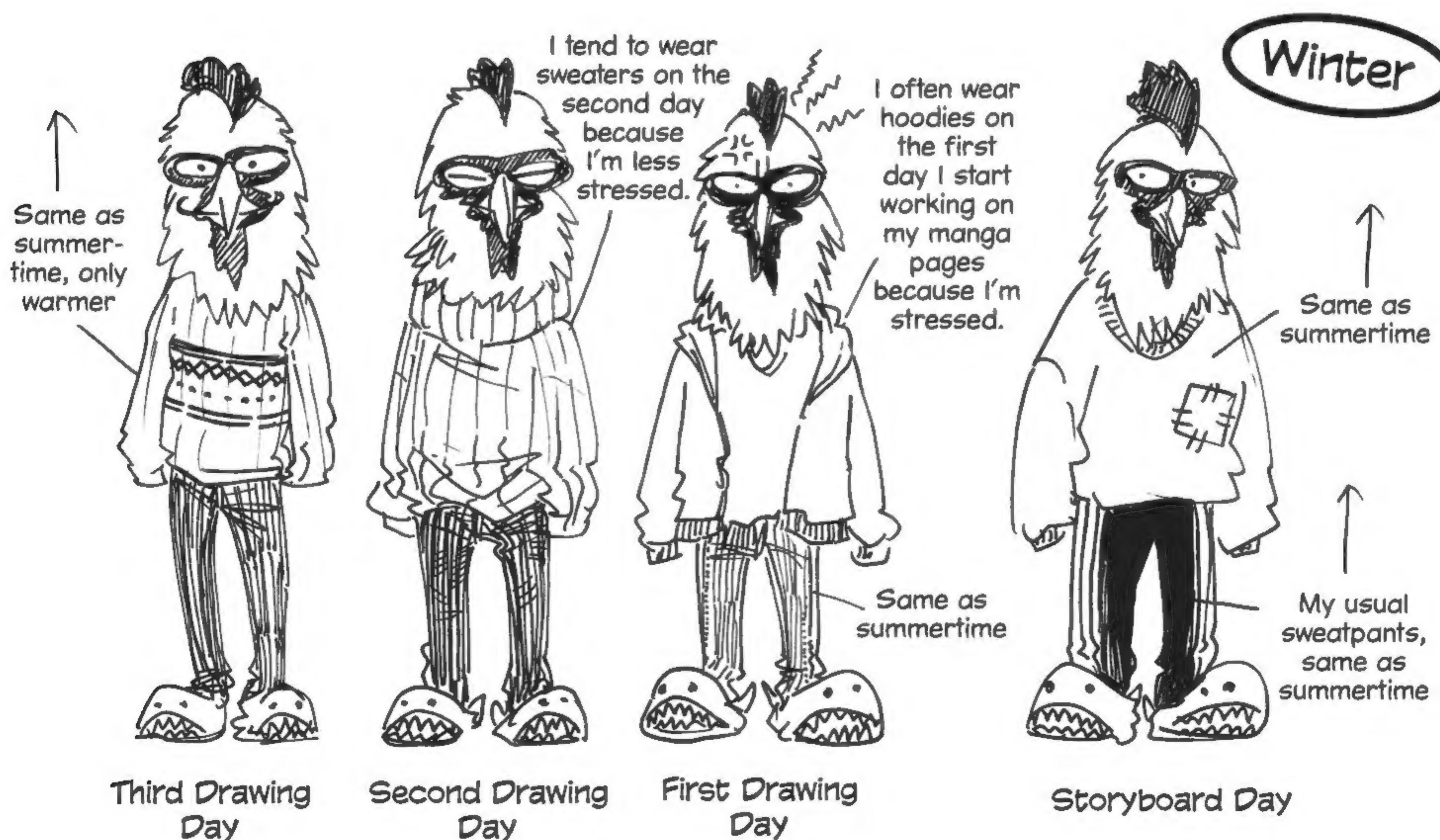
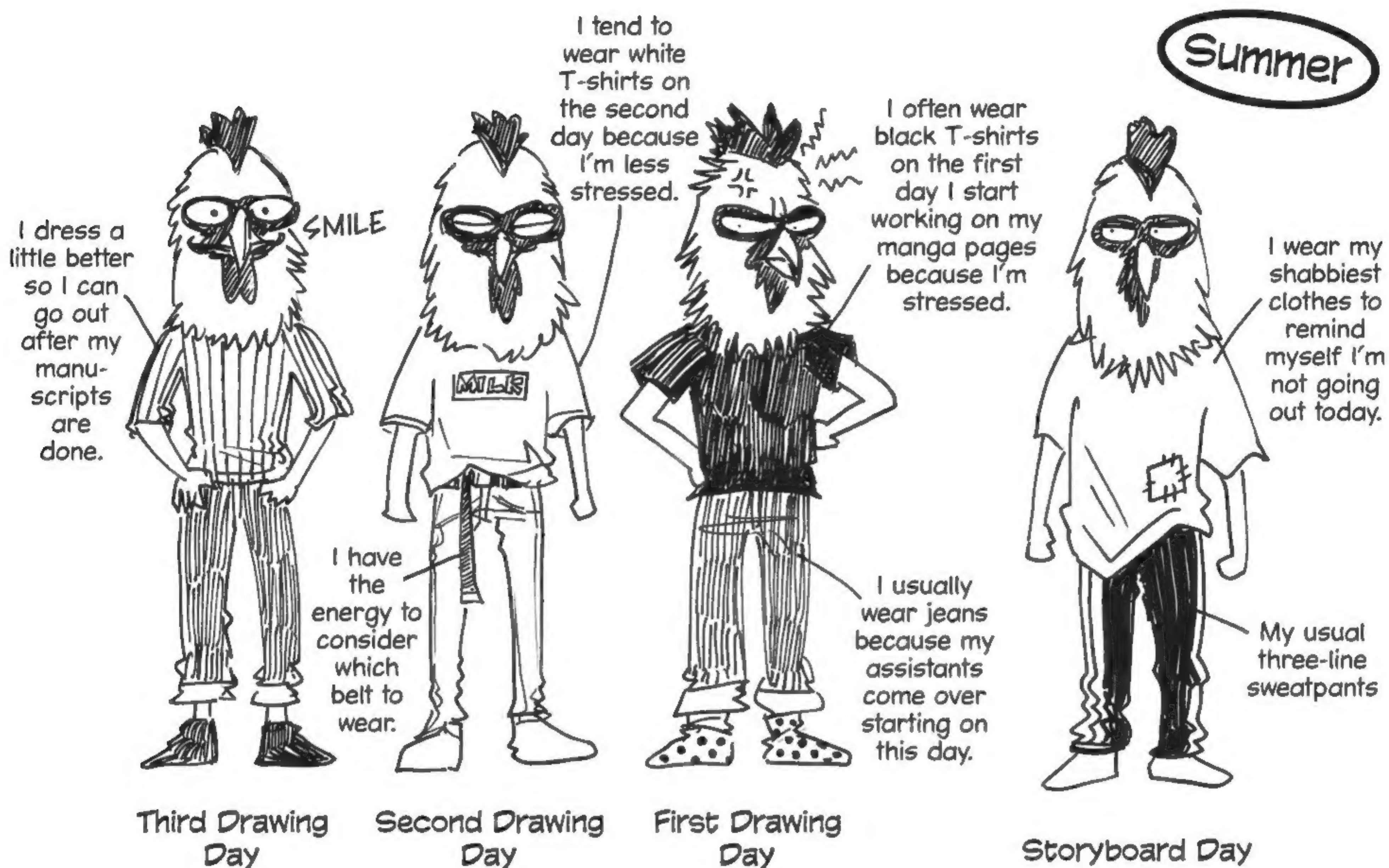
Stay weird, Haru ...

WATCH-
ING
THE BONE
GET PUT
AWAY IS AN
IMPORTANT
PART OF THE
WISDOM
SOUL
FESTIVAL!

I love this part. It's so sur-real.



"Even a Manga Artist Who Works from Home 365 Days a Year Wears Work Clothes when Working"



Kolo and Boss,
room 701 roommates,
started working for Dogger Eats
while major events took place in
the main story line.

(Jack decided not to
work because he's too
busy with classes.)





I EAT ICE CREAM WHEN I TAKE A
BREAK. I START WORKING ON MY
MANGA PAGES AFTER I EAT ICE
CREAM. I EAT ICE CREAM BEFORE
I GO TO BED. *BEASTARS* PAGES
ARE MADE OF ICE CREAM.

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